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Night Raid On Hanover

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, July 20 (UP).—The Air Ministry announces the Royal Air Force was active over Western Germany last night, concentrating their attack on the industrial areas.

At Hanover, large fires were started.

Two R.A.F. planes failed to return from the raids.

In enemy air operations over England, raiders flew inland last night and bombed two points in the Midlands. There was little damage and casualties.

The Nazis, in a Berlin communiqué, admit the R.A.F. raids on Germany, stating that British bombers dropped explosive and incendiary bombs on a few towns in northwest Germany, particularly on the city of Hanover. It is claimed that no industrial or military damage was caused. Night-fighters brought down one of the raiding British bombers.

Baltic States Not Regaining Independence

LISBON, July 20 (Reuter).—Reports received from the Baltic states now occupied by Germany suggest that any idea they may have had of independence and freedom was short-lived.

National thought and action are being subordinated to the Reich.

The peoples of Latvia, Lithuania and to less extent Estonia and Western Ukraine, are already sensing that they are intended to be no more than provinces or protectorates within the Reich as part of the plan for a Germanised Europe.

PLANES FOR BRITAIN

U.S.A. Speeds Up

WASHINGTON, July 20 (Reuter).—The production of twin-engined bombers in the United States was nearly doubled in the first six months of this year, stated defence officials to-day.

This was one example of the increases in output of military planes which they disclosed have been far greater than was indicated by the published figures from the Office of Production Management.

Encouraging Figures

These published figures show that production had increased 42 per cent, from January to June, but it is learned in other authoritative quarters that two-engined bombers gained 92 per cent. in output, one-engined dive and torpedo bombers 140 per cent., and pursuit and observation and other military aircraft 142 per cent.

Only in the heavy bomber class—giant four-engined craft—was there no appreciable gain, but officials indicated that an appreciable increase could be expected soon.

Officials said that a "substantial proportion" of two-engined bombers had been sent to Britain.

Vichy, Allied And Turkish Forces Fraternise In Syria

(By "Reuter's" Special Correspondent with Allied Forces in Syria)

ALEPPO, July 18 (Delayed in Transmission).—With the close of the Syrian campaign, the Allied forces are already consolidating positions in Northern Syria with patrols operating in the Turkish border regions.

To-day shortly after noon, I had the memorable experience of watching the first meeting between an advanced British armoured patrol and Turkish frontier troops.

Armoured cars belonging to one of the oldest English cavalry regiments in the line recently mechanised patrolled up to one of the frontier roads from Aleppo and contacted three Turkish soldiers with

SOVIETS START A NEW COUNTER-OFFENSIVE

Claim Recapture Of An Unnamed City

Special to the "Telegraph"

Latest development in the Russo-German war is a reported powerful counter-attack by the Soviets on an unrevealed part of the battlefield.

"United Press" from Moscow quotes the "Red Star", the Russian army's newspaper, which declares that a powerful counter-offensive is in full swing somewhere on the front where the Russians have recaptured an unnamed city the initial letter of which is "S", at the same time inflicting heavy losses on the Nazis and capturing a considerable quantity of war materials.

RUINS MARK RED RETREAT

Smolensk And Karelia

ZURICH, July 20 (Reuter).—The thoroughness of the Russian scorched earth policy is described in detail by the correspondent on the eastern front of the newspaper "Tribuna."

Smolensk suffered particularly though some arms and textile factories are only partially damaged.

In Karelia, the Russians "have literally razed towns to the ground." Nothing remains of the celebrated Siemens Martin steel-works at Vuoritsila, which had an annual production of 25,000 tons.

Rain Storms

The correspondent mentions the advent of rain on the eastern front. For the first time since the beginning of the offensive, violent rainstorms have occurred in Russia and if these continue, mechanised columns will have very great difficulty in progressing in districts which easily become marshy.

Forest Fires

ROME, July 20 (UP).—Signor Gayda, editorially commenting in the "Giornale d'Italia" regarding the United States black list to-day, stated that President Roosevelt is trying to dominate the South American countries economically so that he will be able to lead them more easily into war against the Axis powers.

He claimed that the black list was prompted by United States' fear that the Axis commercial ties with South America will be strengthened and increased if the Axis powers win the war, and he declared that the black list was already meeting with strong opposition in many South American countries including Argentina, Brazil, Peru and Chile.

Act of Belligerency

Rome's first Sunday morning broadsheet in English charges that the United States committed an act of belligerency with the issuance of the black list.

It stated, "President Roosevelt's decision to black list neutral countries can be considered juridically as an act of belligerency by one neutral country against other neutral countries."

Mr Brendan Bracken (Personal Secretary to Mr Winston Churchill) becomes Minister of Information.

Mr A. Duff Cooper (Minister of Information) becomes Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and is proceeding to the Far East to examine the present arrangements for consultation and co-operation between the various British authorities, military, administrative and political, and to report to them how these arrangements can be made more effective.

Lord Hawke (Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster) becomes Paymaster General.

Mr R. K. Law (Financial Secretary to the War Office) becomes Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

Mr E. D. Sandy becomes Financial Secretary to the War Office.

Mr Hurtle becomes Under-Secretary to the Ministry of Information.

Mr Herward Ramsbotham becomes Chairman of the Unemployment Assistance Board and receives a Barony.

Mr Harold Nicholson, Under-Secretary to the Ministry of Information, becomes Governor of the BBC.

Colonel G. S. H. Watt becomes the Private Minister's Parliamentary Private Secretary.

Meeting With Turks

Prior to this meeting, we had walked over the sun-scorched rocky

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"Are We Down-hearted?
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Wearing a magnificently cheerful grin and giving the "thumbs up" sign, this British soldier arrives in a haven after fighting an historical rearguard action in Greece and then being evacuated under appalling conditions. Thousands of British and Imperial troops were successfully evacuated.



More Enemy Shipping Attacked: R.A.F. Set Nazi Tanker Ablaze

LONDON, July 20 (Reuter).—British fighters have again been active over Northern France to-day and have set fire to another German tanker.

The Air Ministry, announcing this, says: "Our aircraft have been active over the Channel to-day and formations of fighters flew over Northern France. The weather, however, did not favour large-scale operations."

Nazi Eyes On Dardanelles

Re-Casting Balkans

MOSCOW, July 20 (Reuter).

German plans to seize the Dardanelles are the reason for the continued concentration of Bulgarian and German troops on the Turkish frontier, according to well-informed diplomatic circles in Ankara.

The D.N.B. reports further that German bombers yesterday again attacked light Soviet naval forces east of the island of Hungoo. It claims that one destroyer was set afire and two others were severely damaged. Southeast of Fishermen's Peninsula (Rybachi), a 4,000-ton merchantman is stated to have been destroyed, trials at many points cut, and stations smashed.

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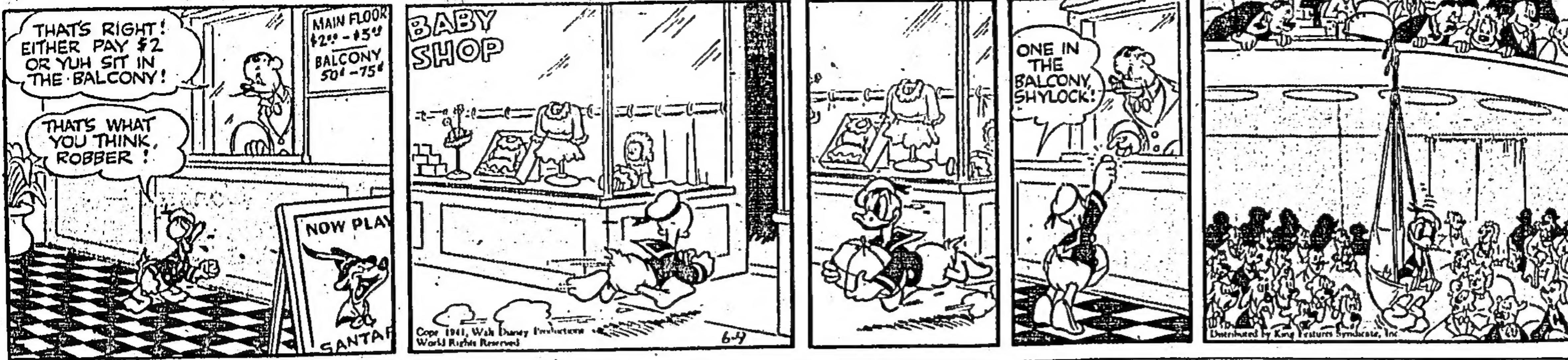
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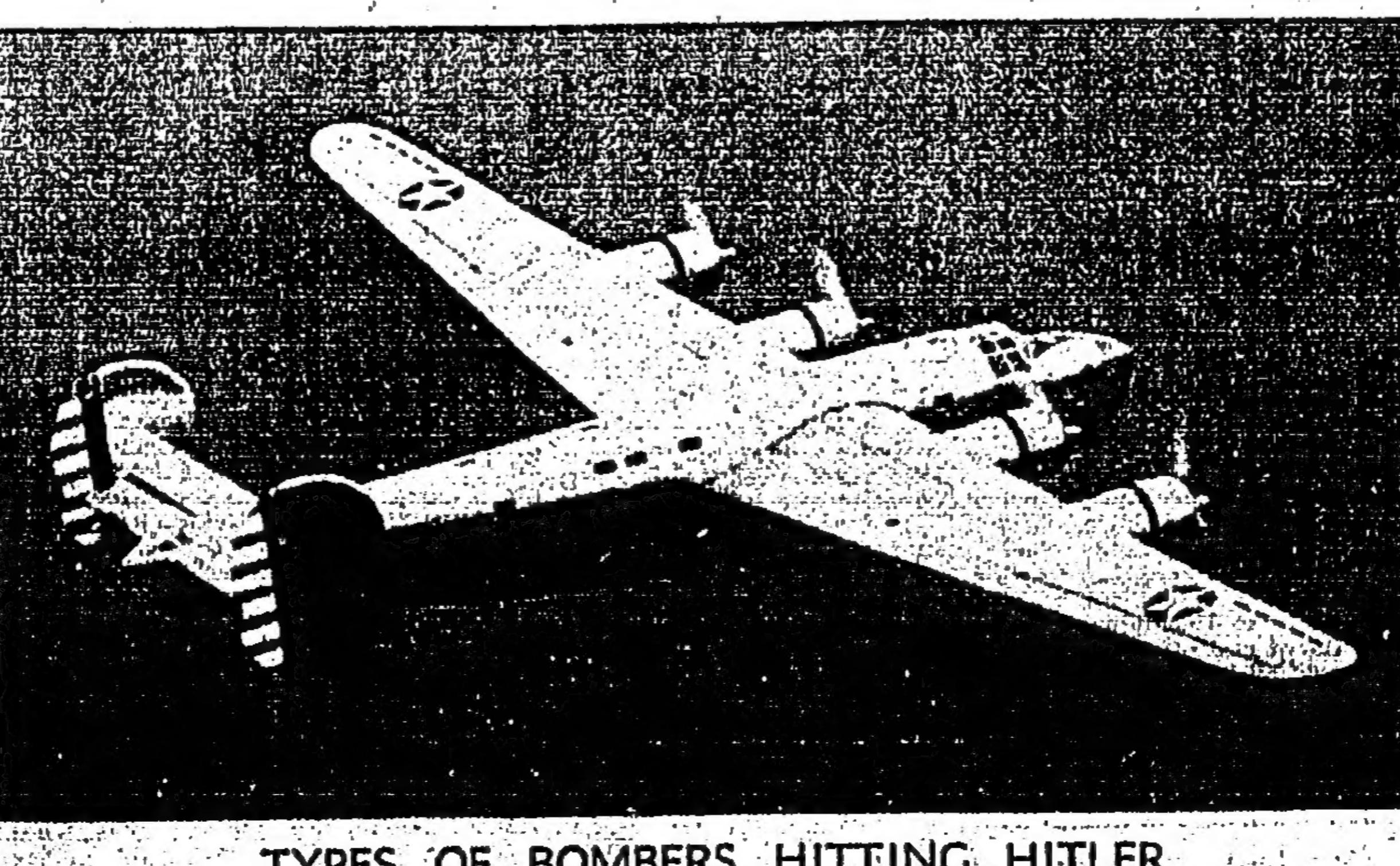
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INWARD AIR MAIRS

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 22nd July July 20.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 5th August Aug. 12.

OUTWARD AIR MAIRS

Monday, July 21. Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."

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Tuesday, July 22.

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E.P.O.

Reg. July 20, 5.00 p.m.
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G.P.O.

Reg. July 29, 5.00 p.m.
Ord. July 29, 7.00 p.m.

Tuesday, July 30.

Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A., and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."

E.P.O.

Reg. Aug. 12, 5.00 p.m.
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The S. C. M. Post has received the following donation to the Emergency Relief Council:

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Gifts for Children

The Director of Medical Services gratefully acknowledges the receipt of the following donations for the children at Flushing Children's Camp:

From China Emporium, Ltd.—One basket ball, football, volleyball, ball, skipping rope, ping-pong, pal net.

From the Chinese Co., Ltd.—Four dozen ping-pong balls, two ping-pong bats, one ping-pong table net, two footballs.



THIS IS WAR—Goggles and helmet saved eyes and hair of British Flight Lieut. Richard Charles Clarke, 22, badly burned in crack-up of his plane in war against Nazis. Otherwise, his face had to be treated by plastic surgery. He's in New York to aid Purchasing Commission.

Hongkong News of the Week

A Page For The Evacuees

Monday

July 14

Rice Prices. "Rice prices at sources of supply are still continually increasing and at the moment the hope exists of bringing about price reductions except insofar as lowering of freight rates may make reductions possible," said Mr F. C. Barry, Controller of Rice, in an interview with a reporter to-day.

Mr Barry stated that he had no knowledge of rumours that any representations had been made by Chinese firms to Government for reduction of prices. The only representation received, he said, was from the Hon. Director of Medical Services in his capacity as Chairman of the Equitable Rice Sales Fund.

Enquiries were still being continued at the present time.

Evidence that the Monastery was visited by a marauding party on April 30 was given by Taeng Cheung-yuen, who said he had lived there for the last 13 years. He was the only male living there, the other inmates being seven other women.

Deceased was a visitor who went to the Monastery on May 1.

On April 30, he said, someone had tried to open the main door of the Monastery. He noticed six or seven other men dressed in black clothing, and had sent them away by throwing stones at them from the top of his little house. The same thing happened the next night, when he was fired at and hit in the arm and leg.

He ran away to telephone the Police, and on returning to the monastery

with a number of Tung Chung villagers, found that Kwor Sheng had been killed.

Government, Mr Barry added, was fixing the price as low as possible, and in fact rice was now being sold at rates much lower than replacement costs, as the following figures show:

Grade A.—Gazetted retail price per picul, \$17; net revenue accruing to Monopoly after payment of all charges, \$16; replacement cost—

labeled in Hongkong, \$16.80.

Grade B.—\$16.20; \$15.20; \$16.40.

Grade C.—\$15.60; \$14.60; \$16.

Grade D.—\$15; \$14.20; \$10.

Grade E.—\$14.60; \$13.00; \$15.25.

Grade F.—\$14; \$13.20; \$14.05.

Charges incurred after landing rice in Hongkong comprise retail tax of 57 cents per picul, allowance made to cover the cost of operation of distribution stations, handling and transportation costs, and, in respect of certain grades sold, charges incurred in their mixing and grading.

Stocks in Hongkong were more than adequate and regular supplies were assured, Mr Barry concluded.

Monastery Murder. A verdict of murder by a person or persons unknown was returned by Mr S. F. Balfour at the District Office, South today, following an inquiry held into the death of Kwor Sheng, 42, a woman, who died from gunshot wounds at the Lai Ho Hon Monastery, Lantau Island, on May 2.

There was no jury, and Acting Sub-Inspector Estall conducted the case for the Police.

Dr H. H. Tai, medical officer of after evidence had been given by Lal Ying, Luk Kwong-yau, Ho Lau and Chiu Lam, the other inmates of

monastery.

The above verdict was returned by the coroner, who had conducted a post-mortem examination of the body of Kwor Sheng on

monday.

Anti-T.B. Campaign. The pamphlets warning the general public against indiscriminate spitting, and requesting co-operation to enforce the law, are now being distributed throughout the Colony by the Hongkong Anti-Tuberculosis Association.

Thousands of these pamphlets, printed in the English and Chinese languages, will be circulated.

The English version, headed "Wearning Notice," reads:

"On April 25, 1940, the Hongkong Government passed a law prohibiting spitting in public places, except into a spittoon or drainage channel. On May 28, 1941, the first prosecution under this new law took place at the Central Magistracy against Leel Yu who was convicted of spitting on the roadway, and fined \$5. Indiscriminate spitting may result in others becoming infected with tuberculosis. 5,751 persons were killed by tuberculosis in 1940."

We need your help to enforce the law against this dirty and dangerous habit.

Persons guilty of indiscriminate spitting will be prosecuted.

Market Prices Higher. Market prices of foodstuffs continue to fluctuate. On Saturday, the price of beef, chicken and pork had risen considerably above Wednesday's quotations, though vegetables were cheaper. Fresh, except for bananas which are not plentiful, are lower (though prices at the groceries are higher than at the market).

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Beeft 12 cts a pound.

Victims of Heat. A considerable crowd collected in Johnston Road at its junction with Fleming Road this morning, slowing down traffic, when a middle-aged Chinese woman, who was accompanied by a small girl, fainted.

Passers-by carried her to the roadside, and first-aid was applied. Someone sent for an ambulance from the nearby Fire Station. The woman revived, but, when asked to enter the ambulance, stoutly refused. The little girl was wailing bitterly, and the ambulance dressers and others attempted to persuade her to go to the hospital.

When the woman continued to refuse, the dressers began arguing with her; the child wailed more loudly, and the noise drew more people to the scene. Finally, she gave in, and was whisked away in the ambulance after a fifteen minutes street scene.

A middle-aged Chinese pedestrian suddenly collapsed in a dead faint outside the Loko Yow Building, in Queen's Road Central, about 8 p.m. to-day.

The man, Lee Jwing, 32, of No. 7 Cheung Hing Street, near Hollywood Road, regained consciousness as the ambulance arrived and took him to the hospital.

Sunday

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July 13

Gallant Action. It was learned that a Chinese fisherman, Sin Kee, 32, risked his life to prevent a drifting mine in Aberdeen harbour from coming into contact with boats and exploding.

Several mines broke loose during the typhoon last Sunday. About 8 a.m. on Monday, when the seas were still running high, a mine was seen drifting into Aberdeen harbour from the direction of Lamma Island.

Police whistles were blown by junk-folk as a warning, and scores of sampans and junks hastily moved from the danger zone. The fisherman, Sin Kee, seeing the mine being carried by the current towards some rocks, dived into the water, swam to the mine, and, despite its weight and the pressure of the current, managed to divert it off its course.

Sin Kee remained in the water controlling the mine until a Naval launch, despatched to the scene by the Police, arrived, when the mine was rendered harmless and removed.

It is understood that Sin was highly commended by the authorities for his brave act, and presented with a token of appreciation.

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Many 3. There were 14 lacerated wounds in the front of the head, face and neck. The skull had been penetrated, and he found 10 pieces of metallic foreign objects under the soft tissues of the wound. The cause of death was gunshot wound of the head.

Sgt. J. Galvin stated that he went to the Monastery on May 2, and saw the body of Deceased. He was given 10 gunshot pellets by a monk, Tseng Cheung-yuen, which were handed over to the Police Armourer, Sgt. Perkins. On examining the premises, he found marks which clearly indicated that shots had been fired from three different angles. Enquiries were still being continued at the present time.

Mr Barry stated that he had no knowledge of rumours that any representations had been made by Chinese firms to Government for reduction of prices. The only representation received, he said, was from the Hon. Director of Medical Services in his capacity as Chairman of the Equitable Rice Sales Fund.

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Government, Mr Barry added, was fixing the price as low as possible, and in fact rice was now being sold at rates much lower than replacement costs, as the following figures show:

Grade A.—Gazetted retail price per picul, \$17; net revenue accruing to Monopoly after payment of all charges, \$16; replacement cost—

labeled in Hongkong, \$16.80.

Grade B.—\$16.20; \$15.20; \$16.40.

Grade C.—\$15.60; \$14.60; \$16.

Grade D.—\$15; \$14.20; \$10.

Grade E.—\$14.60; \$13.00; \$15.25.

Grade F.—\$14; \$13.20; \$14.05.

Charges incurred after landing rice in Hongkong comprise retail tax of 57 cents per picul, allowance made to cover the cost of operation of distribution stations, handling and transportation costs, and, in respect of certain grades sold, charges incurred in their mixing and grading.

Stocks in Hongkong were more than adequate and regular supplies were assured, Mr Barry concluded.

Monastery Murder. A verdict of

murder by a person or persons unknown was returned by Mr S. F. Balfour at the District Office, South today, following an inquiry held into the death of Kwor Sheng, 42, a woman, who died from gunshot wounds at the Lai Ho Hon Monastery, Lantau Island, on May 2.

There was no jury, and Acting Sub-Inspector Estall conducted the case for the Police.

Dr H. H. Tai, medical officer of

after evidence had been given by Lal Ying, Luk Kwong-yau, Ho Lau and Chiu Lam, the other inmates of

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The above verdict was returned by the coroner, who had conducted a post-mortem examination of the body of Kwor Sheng on

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KADOORIE.—On July 10, 1941, to Muriel, wife of Lawrence Kadoorie, at the War Memorial Hospital, a son.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

Monday, July 21, 1941.

Wyndham St., Hongkong

Telephone: 26615

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TOTAL WARFARE

TOTAL war, 1941 style, has taught a number of lessons, four of which stand out prominently. Firstly, that modern defence means, to all intents and purposes, all-out attack. The day of the static concept of defence is over, and modern war, which is totalitarian war, involves the harnessed, co-ordinated yet flexible total effort of the total people; it embraces, not only armies, navies and air forces, but capital, labour, industry, the politician and the priest.

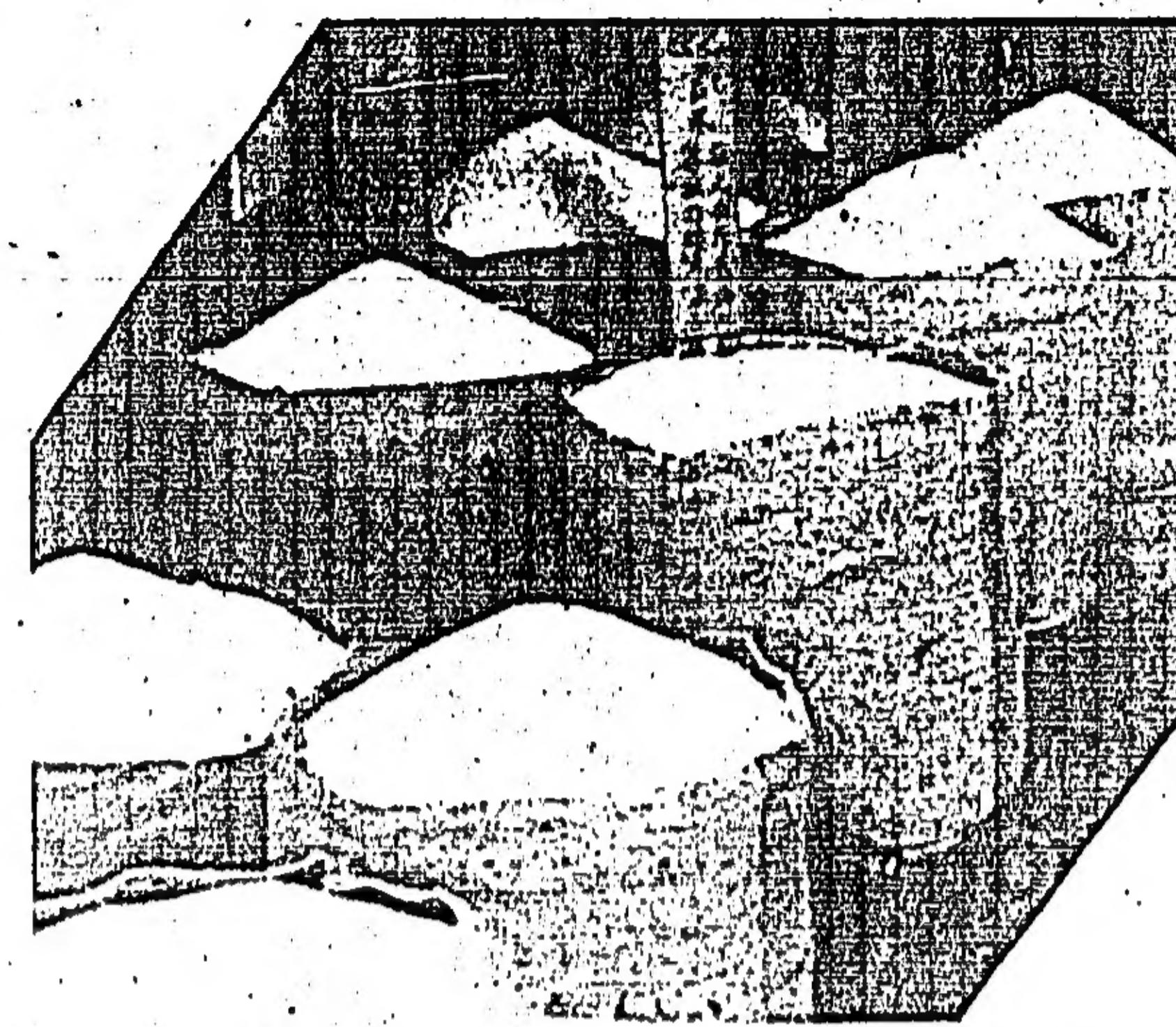
The second factor is the development of the aeroplane as an instrument of war, which has placed entire cities under siege for the first time since the Middle Ages. As Hanson W. Baldwin, the American military expert declares: "The enemy now assaults with blazing oil and fire bombs the castle of our security—our homes. And this assault—vicious, unpredictable, sudden—has made the home front of equal importance with the military front; every citizen is now a soldier."

The third lesson is that the tremendously increased use of aviation in warfare has forced a major alteration in the form of world sea power. Control of the sea can no longer be fitted to the old-fashioned concept of the past, though the prime necessity for this control as an effective and strategic weapon remains unchanged. To-day, however, sea warfare has become three-dimensional, demanding control of the surface, the skies above and the sea beneath. Planes and submarines are indispensable if a navy is to rule the seas; it is by these two weapons that the Nazis are endeavouring to threaten and challenge the sea might of Britain. But the British have learnt one valuable lesson; the discovery that the bomb dropped from an aeroplane is much less of a threat to warships than the torpedo. This is demonstrated by the fact that not single modern capital ship has yet been sunk in an air attack.

Britain and her Allies have now adjusted themselves to the Nazi idea of totalitarian war, recognising that only by striking back with similar methods can that menace be successfully countered and finally obliterated; and while the instruments of modern warfare are more fearful and destructive, the deciding factor remains the same—the individual skill and morale of the combatants. This, in the end, will bring about the defeat of Nazism.

RICE MONOPOLY IN HONGKONG

A Correspondent Asks Some Pertinent Questions



O.F.: all the immediate problems confronting Hongkong the most urgent and serious is that of supplying the Colony with sufficient rice at prices within the pocket of the poorest classes, and at the same time conserve necessary supplies against the possibility of an emergency.

To this end, Government recently assumed a monopoly of both imports and exports and made itself responsible for controlling prices; it cannot be said that results have been very satisfactory, and, in fact, they prompt a number of questions which appear to be pertinent to the subject. Here they are:

A (1) Has the Monopoly a qualified expert on rice?

(2) Why does the Monopoly mix different types of rice? Surely it would be more practical to sell the rice in its original imported form under its usual trade name, (Ngatsaing, Sughandi, Meedone, etc.) with the percentage of breakers marked clearly.

The vast rice-consuming public is capable of knowing what it wishes to buy and if it rice, made by the Manager of the Government Rice Monopoly cannot afford unmixed rice it will, at least, avoid the elementary blunder of mixing types that do not blend successfully when cooked.

B. (1) In the case where it be interesting to the public has been decided that rice cartridges were deteriorating and therefore could be released from the Colony, what records and samples have been kept to justify the opinion?

(2) What qualifications are possessed to permit making any such judgment?

C. (1) Is it not a fact that there have been cases where attempts have been to export good rice on permits which were granted for deteriorating rice? If so, does possibility of substituting good rice for deteriorating rice have an injurious effect on Defence reserves by making it possible for deteriorated rice to remain in the Colony in lieu of good rice?

Misleading Information

It is useless and misleading for the public to be told the landed costs of different "Grades" of rice, or replacement costs of the same vaguely graded and unnamed types of rice at under \$13.00 per picul. What is essential is that in view of the statement regarding the purchase price from the Inland Mills Special Rice, 38% Separation, each month from February justly to July, 1941.

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Monthly Figures Desirable

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Contract Bridge

How to Play

How to Win

BY JOSEPHINE CULBERTSON

Haphazard Trick-Winning

THE most difficult hands, from clearer could not manage the finesse of both declarer's and defenders' for himself! West now shifted to points of view, are those in which a low club. Declarer captured tricks must be garnered piecemeal East's queen and shifted on his own from all four suits. This is far more account to the ace and a low heart, confusing than the process of concentrating on one or two suits. All round, but declarer, as well as West, the usual problems are present, such had noted the fall of East's ten on as maintaining communication between partnership hands, conserving right up with dummy's queen. A stopper, etc., etc., and, in addition, low diamond was led to the jack (West discarding a spade); then another lead up to dummy's remaining 9-5 of hearts was taken by West with the king (East discarding the five of clubs).

In to-day's hand, the defenders come off second best in just such a contest.

A South, dealer. Both sides vulnerable.

♠ K 8 4
VK 8 7 3
A 2
A 6 8 2
A 5
A 4 2
A 1 0 8 6
K 7 4
The bidding:
South West North East
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ Pass
1 NT Pass 2 ♠ Pass
2 NT Pass 3 NT Pass
DBL (final bid)

No one could accuse North of timidity in the bidding. He should have responded to the opening club bid with one diamond, in the hope that South then could name a major suit at the one level. North's spades and hearts were hardly so robust that each should come in for a full bid and then the notrump be raised, as well.

West, deciding to open the only bid suit, laid down the ace and another diamond. Dummy won and led the Jack of spades. East and declarer ducked; West won with the king.

On the theory that a spade return would give declarer a free at a six spade contract with South finesse against the possible queen the declarer opening lead, in East's hand (as though the diamond three,

ally known; it will then be seen where the profit goes and whether business houses are benefiting unduly from a situation that affects the lives of the wretched coolies to the point of actual starvation. There is also the question as to whether or not Government invited competitive bids from business interests in the matter of insurance?

If Government is convinced that the only satisfactory solution to the rice problem is the creation of a Monopoly, it should have no objection to issuing, weekly or fortnightly, a table as undernoted which may forestall bitter and at present fully justified criticism, and, incidentally, may enlighten itself as to the true facts:

1. Date of Purchase
2. Trade name and Quality of Rice
3. Purchase Price, per bag, per ton and per picul
4. Port of Purchase, Rangoon or Bangkok
5. Landed cost after Freight and Insurance have been paid, per bag, per ton and per picul
6. Freight Rate per ton
7. Marine Insurance per ton
8. Fire Insurance per ton
9. Landing and Storage charges per bag and per picul

Until this is done all information

tion is worse than useless. The ordinary member of the public does not know trade prices, specially when only "Grades" are given and these "Grades" are fixed outside the trade, nor the difference between quoting per picul or per bag. A thousand bags of rice equal approximately 1,680 piculs. A bag of rice may contain 224 lbs. or 240 lbs., according to the port from which it is shipped. Landing charges are paid per bag, storage charges also. Freight and Insurance are quoted per ton. Freight may be on either long or short tons. Rice is sold to the public per bag and quoted per picul. Thus it is easy to confuse the issues when giving figures to the press, unless complete information is furnished.

Function Of Govt Control
Government control should confine itself,

(a) To ensuring adequate and healthy supplies of rice in the Colony, (the Medical Officer of Health, it is reported, was obliged to return more than a score of bags of Monopoly rice as being unfit for human consumption when this was issued recently to the Equitable Rice Sales Fund Committee.

(b) To keeping freight rates within bounds,

(c) To providing suitable godowns for the storage of Reserve Stocks,

(d) To limiting dealers' profits to a normal spread, which is said to be fifty cents per picul.

In order to keep the supplies for the Colony's Reserve Stocks at the required level, the dealers should be helped to obtain cargo space at reasonable costs. Ships should be requisitioned in order to ensure a definite tonnage per month for the purpose of carrying rice to and from the Colony. The cargo space thus reserved should be allotted to the various recognised wholesalers in proportion to their previous average imports and exports.

The full amount of tonnage required for the import of rice probably would not be available,

but a large proportion certainly would, and the efficient utilisation of their proportion would be of corresponding value in reducing the cost of rice to the consumer.

The duty of twelve cents per picul on all rice passing through the Colony, which was levied until recently and may still be in force, would more than compensate Government for all expenses arising from the plan outlined above, to which the only drawback appears to be the curtailment of indirect money-making from what has been described already as the "Rice Racet."

Something to make a song about

"WAR brings about a transvaluation of values," says the Schoolmaster.

"You mean, everything is up-side-down?" says the Lad from the Elephant and Castle.

"Not quite that. What I really mean to say is, that men have acquired new values.

"Who cared about the regular soldier in peace-time? He served his term, and got himself a job in the police, or somewhere, and was quite ignored."

"But now—take the Sergeant. He's the backbone of the Army—well, one of the knobs in the backbone of the Army."

"He knows so much about training men that he's too valuable to release, even for a little while. Sergeant's leave is nearly always late."

"And look at the Quarter-master Sergeant."

On The Watch

The Company Quartermaster-Sergeant—the man they sing about in the camp song—is a long, lean man with a small, trimmed moustache.

He has a penetrating, sudden, brusque, nasal voice; a sharp face; prominent eyes.

He moves like a cracked whip. He uses, in the course of one day, enough nervous energy to drive a train from here to Aberdeen.

His hair is an unknown quantity, because he has never been seen without his cap.

He is so tense and lithe that one feels it would take a snake-charmer to make him relax... and then he will rest in a coil, still exceedingly watchful.

He Knows Everything

"He," says the Schoolmaster, "for a few shillings a day, does one of

A further extract from PRIVATE LIFE OF A PRIVATE

Experts See U. S. 'Planes In Tests

Impressed By New Types Of Bombers

After spending all day looking over every type of fighter and bomber from America, 250 of Britain's leading aircraft designers and test pilots paid glowing tributes to the planes.

It was the biggest conference of such experts ever held in Britain. Machines from the little Tomahawk fighter to the great four-engined Liberator bomber were lined up in three ranks at an aerodrome.

As the types of machines America is now sending us run into double figures, there was plenty of material for study.

The planes made an imposing picture, reminiscent of the Hendon pageant. Designers and builders took off their coats. They scrambled into machines, crawled beneath them, and climbed ladders to peer into the engines.

Pilots There

All Britain's aircraft industry was represented. Designers, directors of British aircraft companies, test pilots, Atlantic "ferry" pilots and members of the Society of Aircraft Constructors conferred.

One English designer whose name will be a household word before the war is ended said to a group round a Hawke night-fighter: "We must have speed and altitude. The war is being fought at 40,000 ft., and the engine which gives the maximum boost at altitude is the one which is going to see us through."

The company cheered when they heard that the Hawke had taken its toll in a recent night's bag of 33 Nazi planes shot down.

Exchanging Secrets

Executives were present from the Ministry of Aircraft Production factories responsible for the assembly of the United States fighters. They were anxious to help designers to seek out the finest features of the American planes to build into our own, for we are exchanging our secrets with America.

Many of the air experts expressed the opinion that British designers could help America in the development of operational equipment, particularly armament. There was high praise on the smoothness of our technical co-operation with American designers and builders.

Inside Story Of Nanking Nominees

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

In a signed article on the quality of the puppet army under Wang Ching-wel, Mr Tao Hsi-sheng, who until last December was one of the closest followers of the Nanking puppet leader, has indirectly refuted current rumours arising from an open appeal addressed to Mr Lattimore by over 300 Northeastern leaders.

The appeal to Mr Lattimore, it may be remembered, implied that two of General Chang Hsueh-lung's followers, Pao Wen-yueh and Hu Yu-kun, have joined Wang Ching-wel because of political reasons and over-emphasized the importance of Wang Ching-wel's plans to organise a puppet army.

"It is said," stated Mr Tao, "that Pao and Hu, two puppets in the Nanking regime, have been entrusted with the task of organising an army and that Hu at present already boasts 100,000 men under his command."

Mr Tao who knew these two men well, saw no importance whatsoever in these reports. Pao, he explained, in the bickering of Chow Fu-hsi while Hu who once was a subordinate of the late Marshal Wu Pei-fu with 30,000 men under his command in 1939 when his men mutinied at the news of Hu turning over to the Japanese in 1939. It was absolutely untrue that Hu had at present have 100,000 troops under his command.

Other Difficulties

Moreover, said Mr Tao, there are other difficulties in the path of the organisation of a puppet army under Wang Ching-wel, one of which is the deep-rooted suspicion of the Japanese towards all puppet armed units.

"The Tungchow incident and Lang Ching-tien's mutiny," explained Mr Tao, "have made the Japanese militarily most unwilling to deliver arms to any puppet army. So even if Pao Wen-yueh and Hu Yu-kun had a certain number of men under their command, their influence would still under the influence of the Japanese."

Turks Welcome New Neighbours

ISTANBUL, July 20 (Reuter).—The Turks are pleased at the establishment of British military authority in Syria because they have become neighbours with their British ally," writes the well-known Deputy, M. Yalchin, in the Turkish paper, "Yenibahar."

Arguing that this fulfills the basic principles of the Tripartite Mutual Assistance Pact, M. Yalchin says that the Allies are leading Syria towards complete independence.

Mystery Bombers Over Saigon

SAIGON, July 20 (Reuter).—Two unidentified bombers were seen flying over Saigon for 20 minutes this morning at 10,000 feet.

Japanese Arrive

SAIGON, July 20 (Reuter).—A four-motor Dai Nippon flying boat arrived at the Saigon seaplane base this afternoon, carrying the first 12 members of the Japanese Boundary Commission headed by Mr Yano.



GANG GROWS UP—Remember "Our Gang?" Here are originals, at 16th anniversary luncheon in Hollywood. From left: Mickey Daniels, Joe E. Cobb, Mary Kornman, Johnny Downs, and Farina. Downs has just been signed by Hal Roach, to play romantic lead in "Campus Rhythm."

Monocle Man Leads Our Sky Troops In Mock Attack

Raining down out of the darkening twilight sky came British paratroopers. Swiftly, they snapped up the equipment that other paratroopers had dumped for them. Within a very short time they had located and captured an "enemy" headquarters and destroyed all the telephone communications.

This all happened during the realistic full-scale mock invasion staged in East Anglia recently.

I have just been given the first inside story of this newest branch of the Services—hitherto their work has been kept almost a secret, writes Paul Bewsher in the "Daily Express."

One of the leaders in this mock attack from the air was a tall New Zealand officer who always wears a monocle screwed firmly in his eye. Normally he wears spectacles, but the monocle does not fall out if he hits the ground with something of a bump.

"We are tough—but we are not tough," he told me. "An idea has got about that our men are a lot of gangsters. That's not true."

"On the job our men have a hard task. They must work quickly and know how to kill a man swiftly and silently if necessary. But, war apart, they are just a very decent crowd of men."

Quick Wits

All are volunteers with a very high standard of physical fitness. We do everything to make them as hardy as possible.

"But they must be men of much resource and intelligence, too."

"The men are supposed to be under 30—a number are about 22 or 23—and we prefer them to be unmarried."

"They are of all sorts—miners, grooms, car salesmen, racing motorists, youngsters of independent means."

"Quite a number are good linguists—and they are encouraged to learn German."

"It is not compulsory for them to be able to ride a horse, and swim a mile, and do a number of other

Perfect Timing

"We wear special boots. On a fairly calm day it is possible to land on the ground without even falling over."

"A major problem is ensuring that the men land at exactly the right spot."

"Our methods for doing this must remain a secret, but I can give you the general picture."

"As we near the landing point the men are warned to get ready. Each man is on the alert. At a signal, out they go—one after another—at rapid speed."

"Usually there is a man, who counts, calling 'One-two-three-four,' and so on, till the whole 'stick' is dropped. Each plane-load of men is called a 'stick,' just as if they were bombs!"

"Once on ground, you release your parachute, and dash to the arms and equipment container which has drifted down near you, on its own parachute."

"This is opened in a second."

Rounded Up

The men who landed in the mock invasion had only vague idea where the rear headquarters they were to attack were.

They found it, some of them racing along the roads in a Ford car which they had seized.

While a number of them attacked the headquarters openly, and attracted everybody's attention, the main body got through the barbed wire defences elsewhere, come upon the sentries from behind and overpowered them.

They found maps showing the position of the advance headquarters, and set off to attack that.

But here the Home Guards and police showed their efficiency. The parachutists were rounded up and put out of action.

Norse Gold Taken Out From Under Nazi Noses

Norway's £15,000,000 in gold has long been safe on the other side of the Atlantic, and how it got there is an amazing story of bravery and ingenuity in smuggling it past spies to the sea and safety.

The story was told in London by one who helped.

The night the Germans entered Oslo Fjord, King Haakon and the government left. Finance Minister Oscar Torp stayed behind with a hand-picked company of Norwegian soldiers, sailors and patriots in a desperate effort to save the gold.

The gold, in 1500 cases, was loaded on 30 motor trucks and Torp left Oslo on the last gold-laden vehicle. Hiding by day in forests and lonely bays of country, and travelling by night, they slowly crept north.

At nightfall they started again and moved slowly across the coast about 400 miles to one of Norway's most northerly ports.

There the last of the cases were put aboard a merchant ship. Then the freighter set sail for Canada.

The freighter's arrival in Canada was reported in waterfront circles at Halifax recently. Two yachts were strapped to her decks and it was rumoured that there was \$5,000,000 in Norwegian gold stored away in the trim little craft.

A number of cases were put aboard a British destroyer. The rest of the gold was ferried across the fjord to Molde, where a cruiser lay.

Spies were everywhere, and soon after daylight the cruiser, while loading the gold, was attacked by waves of Nazi bombers. The wharf was bombed to a heap of rubble and

CHINESE GIRL'S EXAM SUCCESS

A Canadian-born Chinese girl, Clara Yeo Kwong, led all British Columbia in recent examinations for title and certificate of "Registered Nurse."

Britain Abides By Her Word

The Cost Of Eire's Neutrality

Mr Duff Cooper, Minister of Information, dealing with the position of Eire in an address to the Royal Empire Society in London said: "There is one part of the Empire which remains neutral, and it is an example and a proof to the world of the true independence of our Dominions."

"However much we suffer from it—and deeply, disastrously we suffer from it—we respect the independence of Eire and allow her to remain neutral while we are fighting for our lives."

"That shows that Great Britain abides by her word and that the Constitution of the Empire and the Statute of Westminster is not a scrap of paper which you can tear up, but a bond which we have entered into and by which we shall abide."

Mr Duff Cooper said that if the critics of the Ministry of Information realised the difficulties it had gone through, and was still going through, they would be a little more indulgent to it.

Dealing with propaganda, Mr Duff Cooper said: "This weapon is the fourth arm. It has played a tremendous part in this war already, although I do not say that it has played a tremendous part on our side. But it has played a tremendous part on the side of the enemy."

Why News Is Late

"They have undermined, by carrying on propaganda in peace-time, the fighting spirit of the countries with which they have come into contact. It has enabled them to sweep through neutral countries unopposed."

A great many of his Ministry's activities must be cloaked in secrecy.

Lately criticism of the Ministry had been that they had not been able to give sufficient news of what was taking place of all the great events in the Middle East.

"It is so much easier for the side which is advancing and hopes to be in a stronger position the day after tomorrow to take the risk of sending home that news a little ahead of events," he pointed out. "The retreating army have to think first and all the time of the safety of their own troops, and they cannot imperil that safety for the sake of getting home the news a little earlier."

Mr Duff Cooper added that the B.B.C. was performing 24 hours a day in 36 languages to an audience of many millions. When all the difficulties were considered, and criticism was weighed up, he was astonished that there was so little of it, and that so much satisfaction was given on the whole.

STALIN IS DEFENCE MINISTER

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, July 20 (Dome)—M. Joseph Stalin, Chairman of the Council of People's Commissars, has been appointed People's Commissar of Defence by M. M. I. Kalinin, President of the Presidium of the Supreme Council, while Marshal Semon Timoshenko, Commander-in-Chief of the western sector of defence, has been appointed Deputy Commissar of Defence. It was announced on the afternoon of July 19.

Orchestra Lost All In Blitz—But It Played

Thousands of pounds worth of valuable musical instruments belonging to the London Philharmonic Orchestra were destroyed in a recent air raid.

Only by borrowing instruments was the orchestra able to fulfil its engagement to give a symphony concert on the following day.

Harps, violins, violas, cellos, double-basses and drums were hastily assembled by musical colleagues of the orchestra within a few hours and the show went on.

Instruments lost by the L.P.O. included three of the best double-basses in the country. A cello worth £600 belonging to Mr Cedric Sharpe, the famous cellist, was almost irreparably damaged.

£100 To Mend

Mr Sharpe has been told that it may be possible to put his cello together again, but it would cost £100 and would be a miracle of the instrument-maker's art.

The orchestra has given 200 concerts all over the country since last Christmas, playing in music-halls, church halls and cinemas, as well as concert-halls.

Now it is seriously short of instruments. Somehow these will have to be replaced.

The L.P.O. is now on tour in blitzed areas.

Corvettes Are Handy Craft

Criticism of the new naval corvettes on account of their low comparative speed, received very little support in the Navy, where the corvette is considered a very handy little craft.

Nobody denies that additional speed would be an advantage, but more speed would mean a bigger ship, with bigger engine room, more boilers, and larger bunkers. If they were not to be constantly fulfilling back to port for fuel when they wanted to be at sea hunting U-boats.

These changes would diminish the extraordinary handiness of the corvette, which is desirable both for attacking U-boats and dodging air bombs, and it would also reduce the number built.

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MONDAY MORNING COMMENTARY

Football Tourists Stir



Kowloon B.G.C. "A" v. Indian R.C. A. K. Ismail bowling for the Indians at Austin Road on Saturday. R. P. Phillips ready for his turn on the mat.—Ming Yuen.

Week-end Aquatics

Chu Hang Breaks National Sprint Record At Laichikok

PROMISE of a challenge for the Colony 50 yards free-style title in the swimming championships at the end of the season was provided by Chu Hang at the Hongkong and Kowloon Residents' Union gala at Laichikok on Saturday, when he broke the China National record for the 50 metres in 26.8 seconds.



ALIVE!—British reported the death in Crete of Max Schmeling, former world's heavyweight champion, now a Nazi parachutist trooper. But the Germans assert he is safe, only "slightly ill."

League Bowls

Recreio "A" Again Defeated

RECREIO "A" suffered their fourth defeat of the season when they met the Police Recreation Club on Saturday at Happy Valley, repeating, though under less imposing circumstances, the surprise of last year.

As a result, Craigengower Cricket Club, having played only nine games, are ahead by five points, and seem assured of the First Division Championship.

In the Second Division, Kowloon Tong are in a like position of security, and interest, therefore, is mainly in the final leadership of the Third Division, where the Kowloon Bowling Green Club and the Indians are at the top, the first named leading by half a point.

Three sevens were chalked up by W. Mai (Police) who lost to F. X. Silver 20-20, C. S. Rossel (Craigengower) who trounced E. C. Fincher (K.C.C.) 33-0, and B. A. Mansell (H.K.F.C.) who beat H. R. Pinna (Recreio) 25-18.

A similar number of sixes were credited to J. F. McGowan (C.S.C.C.), C. Gowland (P.O.C.) and J. K. Sloan (Electric).

Results at a glance were:

First Division
P.R.C. 71 Rec. "A" 63
K.C.C. 45 C.C.C. 82
Rec. "B" 56 C.S.C.C. 55
K.B.G.C. "A" 50 I.R.C. 50
K.B.G.C. "B" 42 K.D.R.C. 82

Second Division

H.K.F.C. 87 K.C.C. 62
P.O.C. 64 H.K.C.C. 87

Third Division

I.R.C. 74 C.C.C. 53
K.F.C. 51 K.B.G.C. 67
Recreio 64 H.K.F.C. 59
Elec. 55 P.R.C. 73

Up Rumours

Words of Appreciation Probably Misinterpreted

Local Authorities Unconcerned

(By "Tinker")

WHAT APPEAR to have been a few words of compliment both to the country and the hospitality of the Australians have, I think, received a little too much publicity and prominence at this end of the line. "Reuter's" message the other day that the Eastern-Sing Tao touring football team in Australia had expressed the opinion that they would like to remain down there savours to me of just a natural expression of appreciation.

Soccer "Tests" Even

SYDNEY, July 19 (Reuter).—Australia beat China, represented by the touring Eastern-Sing Tao Football team, by five goals to two in their fourth Test match held here to-day.

China won the First Test at Melbourne 6-4, lost the Second at Sydney 2-4 but won the Third at Sydney 5-2.

Major Baseball

Washington Senators Beat Tigers

NEW YORK, July 20 (UP).—Only one game was played in the Major Baseball Leagues to-day, Washington Senators trouncing Detroit Tigers 8-1 in the American circuit.

Scores were:

Mohawks: Runs 0 0 4 0 3 0 0=7
Hits 0 1 2 0 1 0 0=7

Mindanao: Runs 3 1 0 1 0 0 0=4
Hits 2 0 1 0 1 0 0=4

S. China's First Win

SOUTH CHINA, the cellar dwellers pulled off their first victory of the season on Saturday when they nosed out Hongkong's "Royal Engineers" 8-7 after a thrilling last inning by the Sappers.

China went off 1, 3 and 2 to Sappers' single tally in the third. The game seemed on ice with two more in the fifth, but in the last frame Sappers put their backs into it and taking advantage of Lau's lapse on the mound crossed the plate five

times, losing a thrilling game by the odd run.

Scores were:

South China: Runs 1 3 2 0 2 0 0=8
Hits 1 3 3 0 0 0 0=8

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They are expected back here about the first week in September and their Clubs here see no reason to assume that they will not be back.

Not only are their families and other interests in the Colony, but it is doubtful, extremely doubtful, that the Australian authorities would grant the necessary permission for them to remain in the southern continent.

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Great Attraction

THE tourists have had an enormously successful tour to date, and the presence of a wholly Chinese eleven who are capable of good football has undoubtedly been a major attraction to the Aussies, who have flocked in great numbers to them.

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NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

Leopold's Act Is Defended: "Inside Story" In Court

What is believed to be the "inside story" of the seven tragic days leading to the surrender of King Leopold of Belgium was told for the first time when a settlement was announced in the law courts of a libel action brought by Admiral of the Fleet Sir Roger Keyes, against the Daily Mirror Newspapers, Limited.

Sir Patrick Hastings, K.C., counsel for Sir Roger Keyes said that within a few hours of the German invasion of Belgium on May 10 last year, Sir Roger Keyes, at the request of the British Government, flew to join King Leopold as a special liaison officer. He remained with the King until May 27, when King Leopold asked for an armistice.

Mr Churchill, on May 28, announcing the Belgian surrender asked that judgment should be suspended until the facts were known.

Sir Roger Keyes, in the lobby of the House of Commons, echoed this advice to a representative of the "Daily Mirror," which, on May 30, published an attack on King Leopold and also Sir Roger Keyes, says an Australian Associated Press report from London.

Belgium Fighting

Sir Patrick Hastings described how the British Army and the French Northern Army were ordered on May 20 to prepare to fight south-west to regain contact with the main French Army. It was clear that unless the Belgian Army could conform with this movement there would be a breach of contact between the British and Belgian Armies he said.

"King Leopold made it clear that if there was a separation between the two armies the capitulation of the Belgian Army would be inevitable," continued Sir Patrick Hastings.

The Belgian Army, at the request of the French High Command, was withdrawn on May 23 from a strongly prepared position on the Scheldt to a weaker and longer line on the Lys, to allow the British Army to retire behind a defensive frontier line to prepare for a southward offensive.

Obliged To Surrender

"King Leopold, on the morning of May 27, asked Sir Roger Keyes to inform the British authorities that he would be obliged to surrender before a debacle occurred, and at 5 p.m. on May 27 King Leopold informed the British and French authorities that he intended at midnight to ask for an armistice in order to avoid further slaughter of his people."

Sir Patrick Hastings concluded that Sir Roger Keyes, in the light of his knowledge, felt justified in suggesting a suspension of judgment on King Leopold, and resented the attack on himself.

The defendants accepted Sir Patrick Hastings' statement and regretted having been misled by an unimpeachable source.

The Judge ordered defendants to pay damages, the amount not stated, and also costs.

Even Pigeons Are Being Watched

Strict measures have been taken by the pigeon dictator in Holland to ensure that the 600,000 pigeons in the country are not used against the Nazis in carrying messages for the British. All birds have been numbered and given a code letter, without which they are not allowed to fly. All pigeon fanciers must keep a daily log book of birds' activities—what time they were released, when they came back, and where they went.

Canadians Begin Collection Of Scrap for Tools of War

OTTAWA.—Canada has started a national salvage collection campaign to gather waste of all kinds—metals, rags, bones and papers—for use in the making of the tools of war.

With posters and extensive advertising the campaign has been started, not for a limited period, but "for the duration."

Canadians are learning that household bones, whether cooked or chewed on by the dog, can be used to make glue for airplanes, to make glycerine for explosives. It is pointed out that if every householder saved two ounces of bone weekly, Canada could annually salvage 10,000,000 pounds of this material.

Loss Imports

Last year Canada had to import rags to the value of \$3,800,000. This year it is hoped that the salvage campaign will bring enough graded woolen waste, wiping rags, and other material to cut the imports to a minimum. Canadians are advised that there are 20 kinds of rags recognised by salvage dealers, that rags should be sorted into three groups, those containing woolens, containing white cottons, and a group containing coloured cottons, silk, and other materials.

One ton of scrap metal contains sufficient metal to make 150 shell cases for 18-pounder guns. And so Canadians are being urged to ransack their homes, gardens, shops, farms for discarded metal objects of all kinds, rusty or bright. Aluminum, silver, paper, tin foil, toothpaste containers, brass ends of light bulbs, all these are useful.

Paper and cardboard containers, old newspapers, clean magazines, old envelopes, paper of all kinds except cellulose, grease-proof, tinned or carbon papers are wanted to make containers for food, rifle cases, cases for shells, to provide reading material for the armed services.

Cartridge Wad

One used envelope will make a cartridge wad, Canadians are told. The salvage campaign has been arranged as a national effort under the electoral districts, with the member of the Federal Parliament in charge of his own constituency. The campaign is localised in that local manufacturers have been formed, each of which is to organise its own community.

Salvage is to be collected into the four main groups, and sold to local salvage dealers, the money realised to go to war services.

MR MENZIES IS CONFIDENT

"Great Britain and her Allies will win the Battle of the Atlantic and every other big battle," said Mr Menzies, the Australian Prime Minister, at a press conference in Dublin recently.

"I have come to Ireland for the first time," he said, "to inquire into affairs and seek information. I have come here as Prime Minister of Australia. I have discussed matters in some detail with the two Governments what time they were released, when they came back, and where they went.

Bishop To Pay £1,600 Damages

Damages amounting to £1,600 were awarded in the King's Bench Division recently to 16 cement manufacturing companies, which were stated by Mr Justice Wrottesley to have been subjected to a "grave slander" by the defendant, the Bishop of Birmingham, Dr E. W. Barnes.

It was stated that the damages would be handed to the R.A.F. Benevolent Fund.

The companies' action arose from statements by the Bishop in a speech at Birmingham in November concerning air-raid shelters. He had fled no defence to the action and the only matter before the court was the assessment of damages.

Mr C. Gallop, for the Bishop, said that Dr Barnes had withdrawn the whole of the imputations reflecting on the plaintiffs' credit, but denied that there was any imputation involved in asserting that the cement industry could have been more productive than it was.

Not Man Enough

Mr Valentine Holmes, for the plaintiffs, asked: "What can be said of a man who makes a public speech of this kind and is not gentleman enough nor man enough to go into the witness-box?"

Giving evidence on behalf of the plaintiffs, Viscount Wolmer, former chairman of the Cement Manufacturers' Federation, said that he could not conceive anything more damaging than the statement that the manufacturers were thwarting the needs of the Government so as to increase their war profits. Actually, there had not been a single complaint from any member of the Government on any failure to produce.

Mr Justice Wrottesley said that the object of the slander was to work up public fury and indignation against the makers of cement.

"We all expect bishops to speak out and we all realise that they may well make mistakes," the Judge said.

"If they do and those mistakes result in grievous accusations being made which are untrue, the conscience can hardly be invoked to prevent the making of an apology."

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Vichy, Allied & Turk Forces Fraternise

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shaded trees with the Red Crescent of the Turkish flag fluttering in the breeze. A little fountain was playing in the court-yard. At the Customs house, a Turkish Captain and Lieutenant and Customs officials offered us coffee, cigarettes and tea water. The atmosphere was most cordial.

To reach Syria's oldest city, I have motored some 250 miles through the heart of the country and found the roads to the north humbling with Allied transport.

Released Prisoners

We passed many Vichy military camps being dismantled and a convoy of released British prisoners who cheered lustily.

Rows of Vichy transports, guns and ammunition dumps lay dejectedly on the roadside while soldiers were packing their kit and preparing to leave for the Tripoli area, which is at present a neutral zone and reserved for Vichy troops.

Tank aerodrome showed evidence of R.A.F. bombing. Hangars were smashed and large ammunition dumps were blown sky-high.

Aleppo airport, already occupied by the R.A.F. and buzzing with activity, still shows the shattered remains of burned-out planes and damaged buildings.

In Aleppo itself, there are still several thousand Vichy soldiers and airmen. It is rather strange sitting in restaurants next to Vichy Air Force officers who had probably been ground-strafing one a few days earlier.

No Animosity

However, there are no outward signs of animosity although Vichy soldiers seem deeply affected and depressed after the campaign.

Here I contacted for the first time mysterious British and Indian columns who had plunged a thousand miles across the endless desert from Iraq via Del el Zor to Aleppo from the flank. Looking very fit and sun-burned, these troops are in the finest fettle. They said that some of the worst times they had were due to enemy aircraft. They had little protection against air attacks.

On one occasion more than 30 bombers escorted by fighters ground-strafed them en route, but they declared that all they needed was a bath. "We have not had one for two months."

Efficient Indian Troops

Although full details of the part played by Indian troops are not yet revealed, Britshers are full of praise for the manner these forces, starting from Basra, assisted in cleaning up Habbaniyah and Baghdad in Iraq and then carried on in the Syrian campaign.

They never complained and showed a very high degree of discipline, proving ideal troops for such tiring warfare.

There is no doubt that the Syrian campaign was handled in a masterly manner and great credit is due to these phantom desert columns in regard to the enemy morale breaking down so early.

Axis Nationals

BEIRUT, July 20 (Reuters).—German and Italian nationals as well as nationals of enemy-occupied countries are required to register with the Police within three days under an order issued by the occupation authorities here.

LATE NEWS

Japanese Transports Pass Lantao Is.

A convoy of 15 Japanese transports and supply ships were sighted off Lantao Island yesterday outside British waters. They were apparently moving southward from the Pearl River.



BAD WATER — Germans made a rhyme to let inhabitants of unnamed area in occupied France know water in tank was not for human consumption, without first boiling. Cartoon sets off rhyme.

SHIGEMITSU RETURNS TO TOKYO

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

YOKOHAMA, July 20 (Domei).—In his first interview upon arrival here this morning from London via America, Mr Mamoru Shigemitsu, Japanese Ambassador to London, said that he was not in a position to comment on his future plans.

Mr Shigemitsu also declined to hazard any guess concerning the outcome of the Anglo-German war. He said that the Japanese Embassy establishments in London suffered from the bombing but fortunately were not destroyed.

The Japanese community comprising between 40 and 50 residents in London, was keeping up an excellent morale and their casualties thus far totalled no more than two or three slightly injured which Mr Shigemitsu termed most fortunate when compared with the British official casualty averages of 5,000 killed and an equal number injured in each month.

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Upon his landing here from the N.Y.K. liner Kamakura Maru this morning, Mr Shigemitsu was met by his 15-year-old son, Atsushi, and also Mr Eiji Amau, former Ambassador to Rome, and other Foreign Office officials. Commenting on his trip, Mr Shigemitsu said that he noticed signs of Spanish recovery from the civil war in Madrid where black-outs were absent and food was plentiful.

RUINS MARK RED RETREAT

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markable in the whole world by the Stockholm newspaper, "Nyndaglit Alleenha," quoted by the Vichy agency.

The writer declares that this defensive system comprises an extensive fortified territory bounded on the west by the River Narva, Lake Peipus and the River Velikaya; on the east by the Valdau Mountains and on the north by Lake Ladoga and the Gulf of Finland.

Leningrad's fortifications, he says, extend as far as Pleskau. The fortified belt along the Gulf of Finland is stated to be 50 miles in depth.

All these fortified positions have been recently strengthened. Within this area accommodation is provided for 5,000 aeroplanes.

U. S. A. AND INDIA AGREEMENT

LONDON, July 20 (Reuters).—The India Office announces that the British and American governments, in consultation with the Government of India, have agreed to a reciprocal exchange of representatives between the United States and India.

Sir Girja Shanker Bajpal, a member of the Viceroy's Council, has been appointed the first Agent-General for India in the United States.

The name of the United States representative in India will be announced shortly.

DEATH

COATES.—On July 21, 1941, at St. Teresa's Hospital, Gladys Hannan, beloved wife of A. E. Coates, aged 31. Funeral will pass the Monument to-morrow at 3.30 p.m. (Shanghai) Tientsin and Manila papers please copy.

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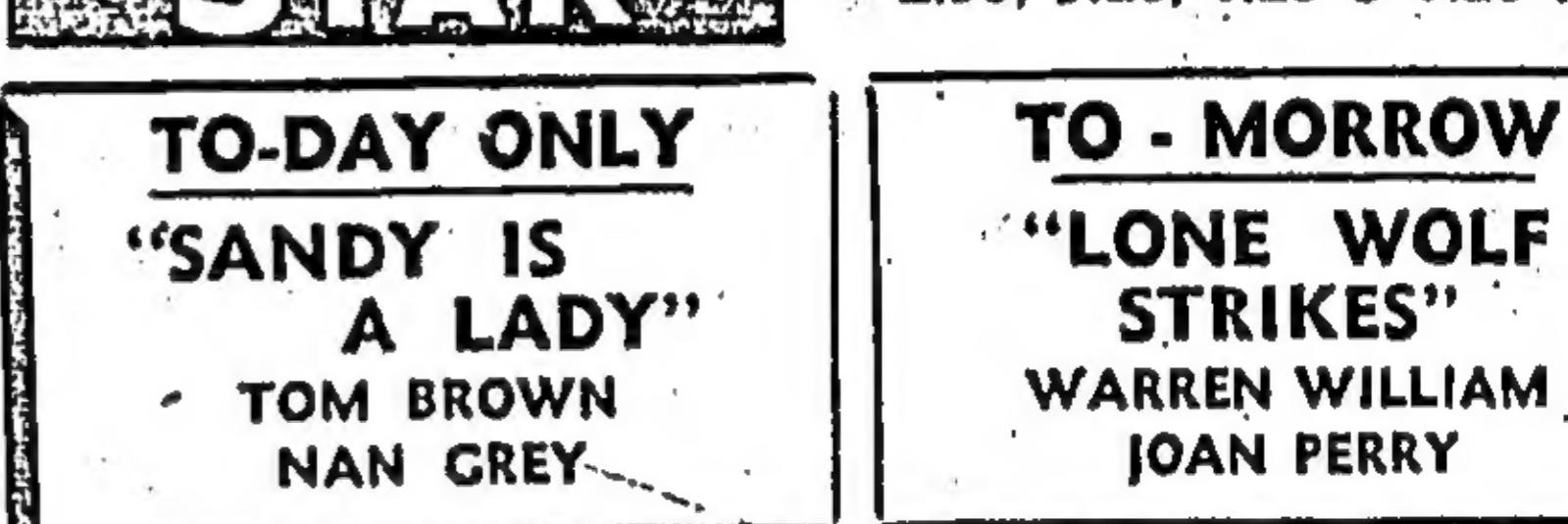
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Night Raid On Hanover

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, July 20 (UP).—The Air Ministry announces the Royal Air Force was active over Western Germany last night, concentrating their attack on the industrial areas.

At Hanover, large fires were started.

Two R.A.F. planes failed to return from the raids.

In enemy air operations over England, raiders flew inland last night and bombed two points in the Midlands. There was little damage and casualties.

The Nazis, in a Berlin communiqué, admit the R.A.F. raids on Germany, stating that British bombers dropped explosive and incendiary bombs on a few towns in northwest Germany, particularly on the city of Hanover. It is claimed that no industrial or military damage was caused. Night fighters brought down one of the raiding British bombers.

"Best Offensive Week"

LONDON, July 20 (UP).—The Press Association claimed that last night's raid on Hanover completed the R.A.F.'s best offensive week of the war.

During the week, 12 Axis ships, totalling 242,000 tons were probably destroyed. Bombers blasted industries in Western Germany every night except Friday, and bombed down industries in Northern France by day almost every day.

Dunkirk Attacked

LONDON, July 20 (UP).—The Air Ministry announced that heavy bomber formations this afternoon bombed the docks at Dunkirk.

Escorting fighters destroyed four Messerschmitt planes. Three British bombers and two fighters are missing in the attacks on Dunkirk and a convoy.

BRITISH CABINET CHANGES

LONDON, July 20 (Reuter).—Official Cabinet changes have been announced as follows:

Mr R. A. Butler (Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs) becomes President of the Board of Education.

Mr Brendan Bracken (Personal Secretary to Mr Winston Churchill) becomes Minister of Information.

Mr A. Duff Cooper (Minister of Information) becomes Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and is proceeding to the Far East to examine on behalf of the War Cabinet the present arrangements for consultation and co-operation between the various British authorities, military, administrative and political, and to report to them how these arrangements can be made more effective.

Lord Hankey (Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster) becomes Paymaster General.

Mr R. K. Law (Financial Secretary to the War Office) becomes Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

Mr E. D. Sandys becomes Financial Secretary to the War Office.

Mr Hurley becomes Under-Secretary to the Ministry of Information.

Mr Herward Ramsbotham becomes Chairman of the Unemployment Assistance Board and receives a Barony.

Mr Harold Nicholson, Under-Secretary to Back Page, Column 3

SOVIETS START A NEW COUNTER-OFFENSIVE

Claim Recapture Of An Unnamed City

Special to the "Telegraph"

Latest development in the Russo-German war is a reported powerful counter-attack by the Soviets on an unrevealed part of the battlefield.

"United Press" from Moscow quotes the "Red Star", the Russian army's newspaper, which declares that a powerful counter-offensive is in full swing somewhere on the front where the Russians have recaptured an unnamed city the initial letter of which is "S", at the same time inflicting heavy losses on the Nazis and capturing a considerable quantity of war materials.

GERMAN CONVOY DESTROYED

Leningrad Threat Removed

LONDON, July 20 (Reuter).—Heavy fighting continues in all sectors of the Russo-German front, according to both the Moscow and Berlin communiques, but neither side make any decisive claims.

The Russian communiqué still speaks of heavy fighting about 160 miles southwest of Leningrad and claims the destruction of a German convoy in the Baltic Sea.

Black List Annoying To Rome

Roosevelt Branded As Belligerent

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, July 20 (UP).—Signor Gayda, editorially commenting in the "Giornale d'Italia" regarding the United States black list to-day, stated that President Roosevelt is trying to dominate the South American countries economically so that he will be able to lead them more easily into war against the Axis powers.

He claimed that the black list was prompted by United States' fear that the Axis commercial ties with South America will be strengthened and increased if the Axis powers win the war, and he declared that the black list was already meeting with strong opposition in many South American countries including Argentina, Brazil, Peru and Chile.

Act of Belligerency

Rome's first Sunday morning broadcast in English charges that the United States committed an act of belligerency with the issuance of the black list.

It stated, "President Roosevelt's decision to black list neutral countries can be considered juridically as an act of belligerency by one neutral country against other neutral countries."

Vichy, Allied And Turkish Forces Fraternise In Syria

(By "Reuter's" Special Correspondent with Allied Forces in Syria)

ALEPO, July 18 (Delayed in Transmission).—With the close of the Syrian campaign, the Allied forces are already consolidating positions in Northern Syria with patrols operating in the Turkish border regions.

To-day shortly after noon, I had the memorable experience of watching the first meeting between an advanced British armoured patrol and Turkish frontier troops.

Armoured cars belonging to one of the oldest English cavalry regiments in the line recently mechanised patrolled up to one of the frontier roads from Aleppo and contacted three Turkish soldiers with

LATEST

Prior to this meeting, we had walked over the sun-scorched rocky

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An official Moscow communiqué declares that fierce fighting continue throughout Saturday night in the directions of Polotsk, Smolensk and Novograd-Volynsk, but that nothing of importance occurred elsewhere.

In view of this it appears that the reported Russian counter-offensive is taking place in the Smolensk area.

Berlin Communiqué

"United Press" also quotes the Berlin communiqué issued yesterday, which reads:

The German and Rumanian forces advancing from Bessarabia after breaking resistance on the eastern bank of the Dniester have taken up the pursuit.

Around Smolensk, operations are proceeding according to plan.

"On the Finnish front, further successes have been scored.

"At many points on the Eastern Front, desperate attempts by the Soviet troops to break out of their encirclement were smashed. The enemy suffered heavy losses."

Meanwhile, the D.N.B. claimed that the German air force yesterday carried out heavy attacks on the railway communications of the Red Army, on marching columns and field fortifications.

A large number of trains are claimed to have been destroyed, tracks at many points cut, and stations smashed.

The D.N.B. reports further that German bombers yesterday again attacked light Soviet naval forces east of the island of Hangoe. It claims that one destroyer was set afire and two others were severely damaged. Southeast of Fishermen's Peninsula (Rybachi), a 4,000-ton merchantman is stated to have been sunk.

Bessarabia Fighting

LONDON, July 20 (Reuter).—A violent battle is reported in Rome to-night to be raging east of Dniester River which the Nazis claimed yesterday to have crossed from Bessarabia.

German and Rumanian troops, operating from bases on the other side of the river, have already reached the Stalin Line forts, says a despatch to the official Italian news agency.

These consist of cement and steel structures defended by artillery of all calibres and manned by some of the finest troops in the Soviet army.

By last night, a breach had been made in one sector of the line, adds the despatch.

Today's official Soviet communiqué states: "During the night of July 19, intense fighting took place in the directions of Polotsk, Smolensk and Novograd-Volynsk. Nothing of importance occurred in other sectors of the front."

"Our air force continued during the night to destroy enemy tanks and mechanised units of the enemy.

According to verified data, during July 19, our air force destroyed in air combat and on the ground 71 enemy aircraft and not 31 as previously reported."

WEEK-END TOLL OF AXIS SHIPPING

LONDON, July 20 (Reuter).—Fifty-five thousand tons of Axis shipping have been destroyed by British bombers during the week-end.

Announcing this, the Air Ministry states that this figure was reached when a German tanker of about 7,000 tons was disposed of to-day. This tanker, originally attacked by British fighters, was later found by Blenheim bombers off the French coast near Le Touquet. The bombers came down to mast height to deliver their attack and the tanker was hit amidships and astern, causing an immense explosion.

Tanker Beached

During the attack, British bombers drove off three German machines from one of which black smoke was seen pouring.

In the evening, reconnaissance showed that the tanker had been beached near Berck-sur-Mer down at the stern with the bow well out of the water and a trail of oil was drifting seawards.



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More Enemy Shipping Attacked: R.A.F. Set Nazi Tanker Ablaze

LONDON, July 20 (Reuter).—British fighters have again been active over Northern France to-day and have set fire to another German tanker.

The Air Ministry, announcing this, says: "Our aircraft have been active over the Channel to-day and formations of fighters flew over Northern France. The weather, however, did not favour large-scale operations."

JAPANESE SHIPS AND PANAMA

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SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, July 20 (UP).—Shipping circles stated to-day that ten Japanese steamers, en route home from American Atlantic ports have been ordered to abandon their efforts to pass through the Panama Canal and are proceeding instead, via Cape Horn.

Two of the vessels had left Cristobal on Sunday after the Canal authorities had refused passage on the grounds that the Canal is undergoing repairs. American vessels are passing through, leading to the belief that the work under way is such that they do not wish to expose it to Japanese eyes.

The Japanese Embassy which last week approached the State Department is reported to have abandoned its efforts and has approved the orders to proceed via Cape Horn.

It is learned that five Japanese vessels were outside Cristobal at noon on Sunday awaiting possible permission to pass through the Canal, but it is understood that all would start via the Cape during the next twenty-four hours.

Half a dozen Hurricanes attacked a "link" (anti-aircraft) ship on TURN to Back Page, Column 3

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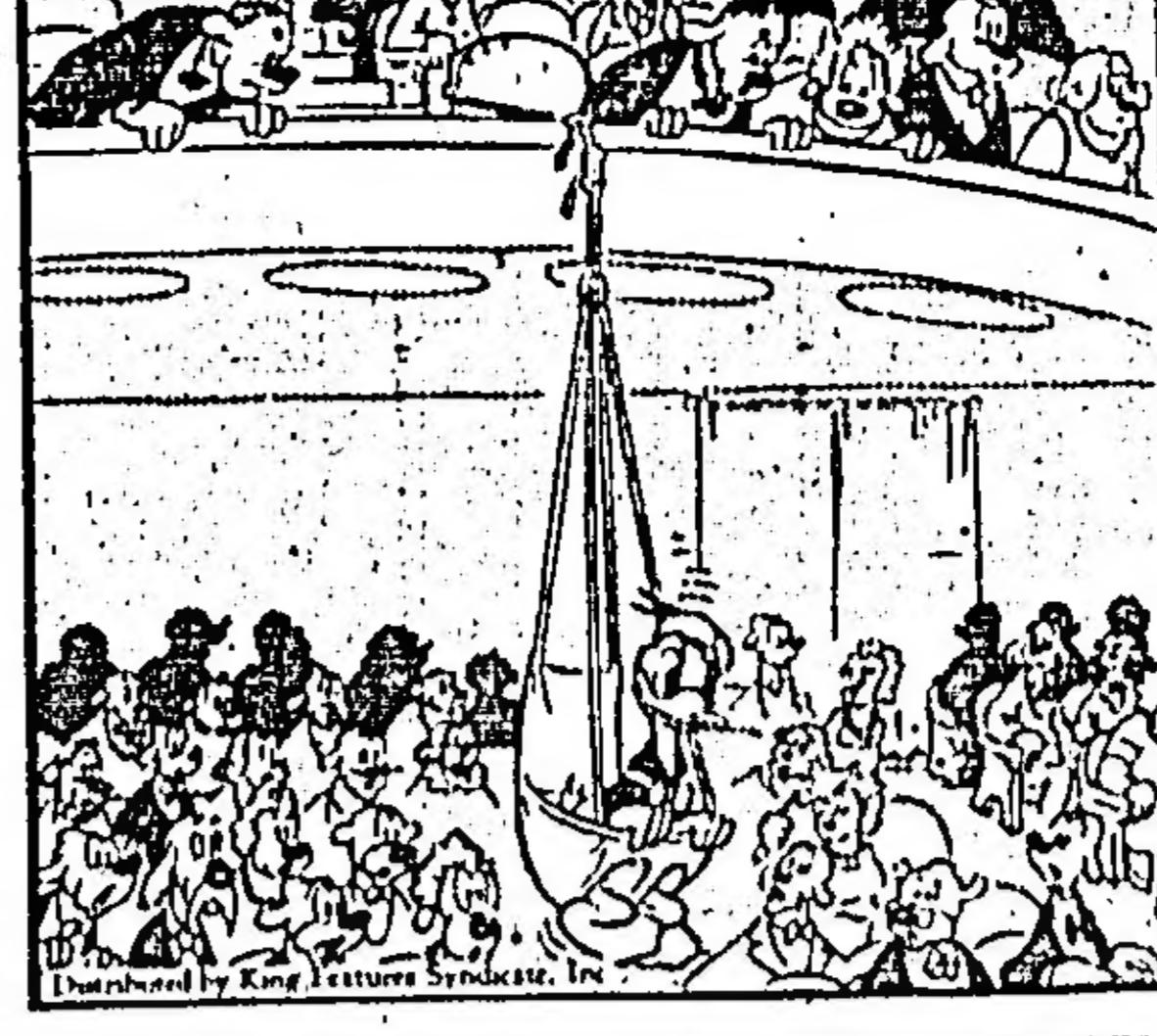
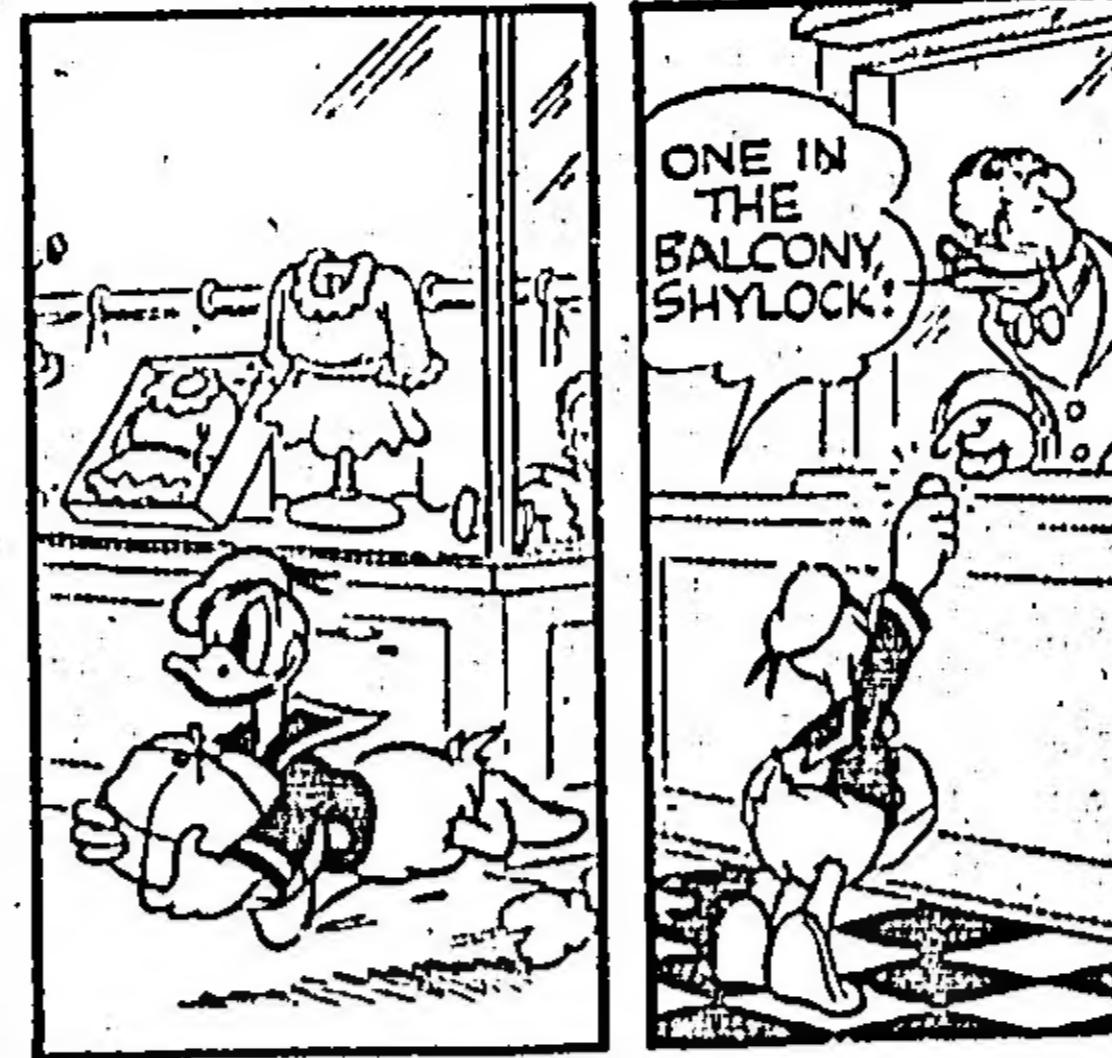
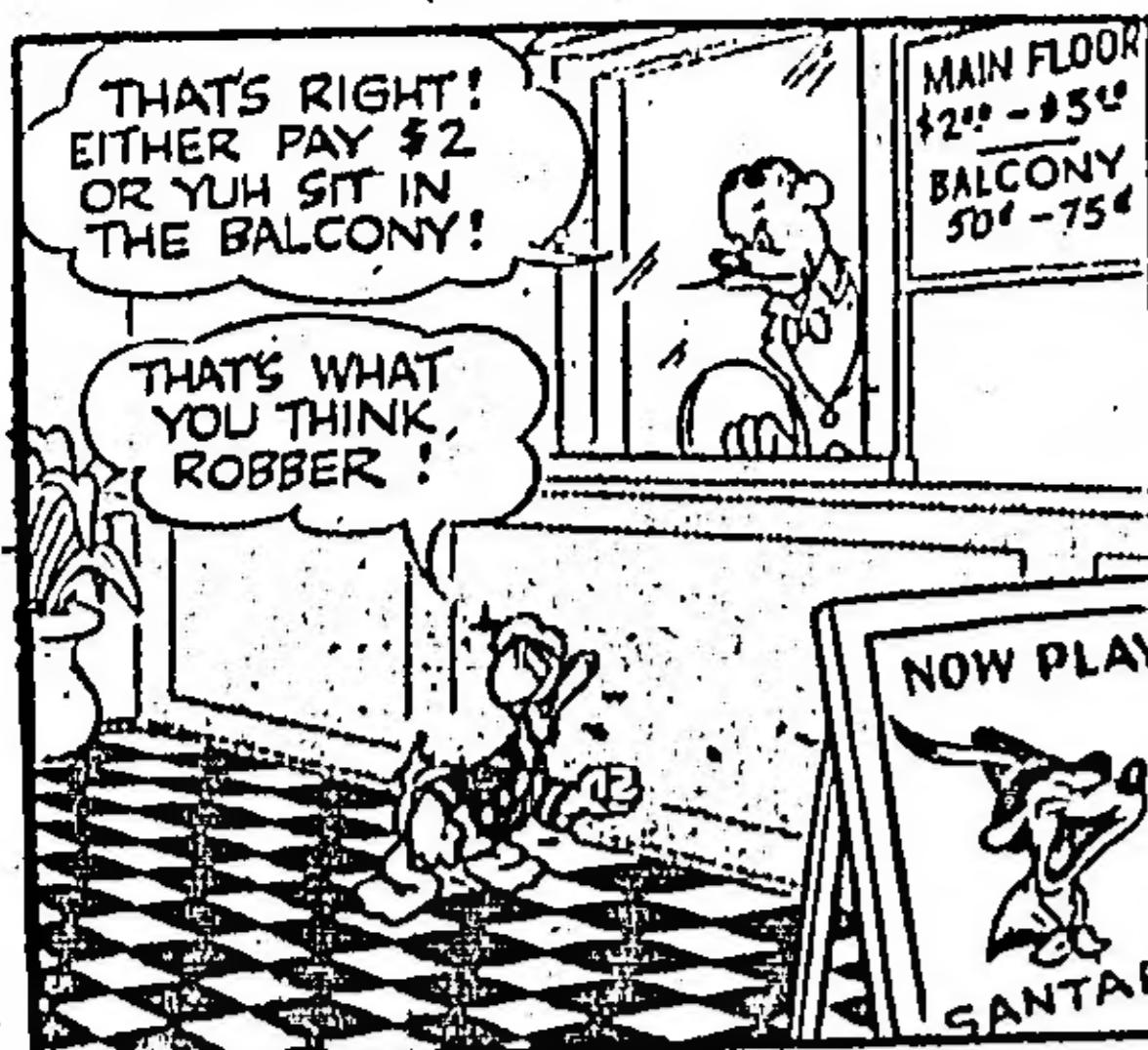
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8.25 London—Listening Post.

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9.0 Local Time Signal and An-

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9.02 This week's programmes.

9.05 Violin Solos by Albert Sand-

ler.

Spanish Serenade, The Child and

his Dancing Doll (John Heywood).

An Old Violin (H. Taylor & H.

Fisher), Remembrance (Marie

Melita).

9.15 London—"Quiet, Please!"

9.45-10.0 News in French (On

Short Wave only).

10.0 London—The News & News

Commentary.

10.15 Excerpts from Gilbert & Sul-

ivan's "The Mikado."

10.40 A Programme of Old English

Music.

Pavane; Galliard (William Byrd),

Chaconne (H. Purcell), Society of

Ancient Instruments, The Lass With

The Delicate Air (Michael Arne),

Nun Marry (Soprano) with piano;

The Faery Queen—Three Dances

(Purcell Arr. Jacques), Hornpipe

Rondeau—Jig, The Jacques String

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(Shakespeare & Arne, Arr. Shaw),

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(W. Beale), The BBC Wireless

Singers, La Volta (Byrd), The Piper's

Guild Quartet.

11.0 London—"News From Home."

A Talk by Howard Marshall.

11.15 Close Down.

Mystery Bombers
Over Saigon

SAIGON: July 20 (Reuters).—Two unidentified bombers were seen flying over Saigon for 20 minutes this morning at 15,000 feet.

"It is said," stated Mr Tao, "that

Pao and Hu, two puppets in the

Nanking regime, have been entrusted

with the task of organising an army

and that Hu at present already boasts

100,000 men under his command."

Mr Tao who knew these two men

well, saw no importance whatsoever

in these reports. Pao, he explained,

is the henchman of Chow Fu-hai while

Hu who once was a subordinate of

the late Marshal Wu Pei-fu with

30,000 men under his command

in 1939 when his men mutinied at

Wang Ching-wei's plans to organise

a puppet army under his command.

Hongkong News of the Week

A Page For The Evacuees

Monday

July 14

Rice Prices. "Rice prices sources of supply are still continually increasing and at the moment no metallic foreign objects under the skin exists of bringing about price reductions except insofar as lowering C^o freight rates may make reductions possible," said Mr F. C. Barry, Controller of Rice, in an interview with a reporter to-day.

Mr Barry stated that he had no knowledge of rumours that any representations had been made to Government for reduction of prices. The only presentation received, he said, from the Hon. Director of Medical Services in his capacity as Chairman of the Equitable Rice Sales Fund Committee.

Evidence that the Monastery was visited by a marauding party on April 30 was given by Tseng Cheung-yuen, who said he had lived there for the last 13 years. He was the only male living there, the other inmates being seven other women, Decades was a visitor who went to the Monastery on May 1.

On April 30, he said, someone had broken open the main door of the Monastery. He noticed six or seven other men dressed in black clothing and had sent them away by throwing stones at them from the top of his little house. The same thing happened the next night, when he was fired at and hit in the arm and leg. He ran away to telephone to the Police, and on returning to the monastery with a number of Tung Chung villagers, found that Kwo Sheng had been killed.

The Monastery was furnished with the usual temple belongings, and there was nothing of special value in the place. He had since obtained a permit to keep a shotgun on the premises.

Charges incurred after landing rice in Hongkong comprise retailers' profits of 37 cents per cwt, allowances

made to cover the cost of operation of distribution stations, handling and transportation costs and, in respect of certain grades sold, charges incurred in their mixing and grading.

Stocks in Hongkong were more than adequate and regular supplies were assured, Mr Barry concluded.

Sin Kee. A mine remained in the water controlling the mine until a Naval launch despatched to the scene by the Police arrived, when the mine was rendered harmless and removed.

It is understood that Sin was highly commended by the authorities for his brave act, and presented with a token of appreciation.

Anti-T.B. Campaign. The pamphlets warning the general public against indiscriminate spitting, and requesting co-operation to enforce the law are now being distributed throughout the Colony by the Hongkong Anti-Tuberculosis Association.

Thousands of these pamphlets, printed in the English and Chinese languages, will be circulated.

The English version, headed "Warning Notice," reads:

On April 25, 1940, the Hongkong Government passed a law prohibiting spitting in public places, except into a spittoon or drainage channel. On May 29, 1941, the first prosecution under this new law took place at the Central Magistracy against Lei Yu, who was convicted of spitting on the roadway and fined \$5. Indiscriminate spitting may result in others becoming infected with tuberculosis, 5,761 persons were killed by tuberculosis in 1940.

We need your help to enforce the law against this dirty and dangerous habit.

Persons guilty of indiscriminate spitting will be prosecuted.

Market Prices Higher. Market prices of foodstuffs continue to fluctuate. On Saturday, the price of beef, chicken and pork had risen considerably above Wednesday's quotations, though vegetables were cheaper. Fruit, except for bananas which are not plentiful, are lower (though prices at the groceries are higher than at the market).

The most welcome news of the week is the fall in price of potatoes. From 25 cents on Wednesday, they were selling for 12 cents on Saturday, while new potatoes were 10 cents.

Onions, too, were both plentiful and cheap, American onions being 12 cents while Shanghai onions were only 6 cents.

Prices ruling on Saturday, with Wednesday's prices in brackets,

Pork 95 cts a pound (85 cts). Beef 75 cts a pound (70 cts). Chicken \$2.05 a catty (\$2.25). Eggs 55 cts a dozen (50 cts). Potatoes 12 cts, and 10 cts new (25 cts). Tomatoes 15 cts (20 cts). Oranges \$2.40 a dozen (\$8.00). Apples 50 cts green and 65 cts red (50 cts and 80 cts at groceries). Bananas 40 cts (35 cts). Duck \$1 a catty. Carrots 28 cts a pound. Beets 12 cts a pound.

Victims of Heat. A considerable crowd collected in Johnston Road at its junction with Fleming Road this afternoon, slowing down traffic, when a middle-aged Chinese woman, who was accompanied by a small girl, fainted.

Passers-by carried her to the roadside, and first-aid was applied.

Someone sent for an ambulance from the nearby Fire Station. The woman revived, but, when asked to enter the ambulance, stoutly refused. The little girl was wailing bitterly, and the ambulance drivers and others attempted to persuade her to go to hospital.

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TOTAL WARFARE

TOTAL war, 1941 style, has taught a number of lessons, four of which stand out prominently. Firstly, that modern defence means, to all intents and purposes, all-out attack. The day of the static concept of defence is over, and modern war, which is totalitarian war, involves the harnessed, co-ordinated yet flexible total effort of the total people; it embraces, not only armies, navies and air forces, but capital, labour, industry, the politician and the priest.

The second factor is the development of the aeroplane as an instrument of war, which has placed entire cities under siege for the first time since the Middle Ages. As Hanson W. Baldwin, the American military expert declares: "The enemy now assaults with blazing oil and fire bombs the castle of our security—our homes. And this assault—vicious, unpredictable, sudden—has made the home front of equal importance with the military front; every citizen is now a soldier."

The third lesson is that the tremendously increased use of aviation in warfare has forced a major alteration in the form of world sea power. Control of the sea can no longer be fitted to the old-fashioned concept of the past, though the prime necessity for this control as an effective and strategic weapon remains unchanged. To-day, however, sea warfare has become three-dimensional, demanding control of the surface, the skies above and the sea beneath. Planes and submarines are indispensable if a navy is to rule the seas; it is by these two weapons that the Nazis are endeavouring to threaten and challenge the sea might of Britain. But the British have learnt one valuable lesson; the discovery that the bomb dropped from an aeroplane is much less of a threat to warships than the torpedo. This is demonstrated by the fact that not a single modern capital ship has yet been sunk in an air attack.

Britain and her Allies have now adjusted themselves to the Nazi idea of totalitarian war, recognising that only by striking back with similar methods can that menace be successfully countered and finally obliterated; and while the instruments of modern warfare are more fearful and destructive, the deciding factor remains the same—the individual skill and morale of the combatants. This, in the ultimate, will bring about the defeat of Nazism.

RICE MONOPOLY IN HONGKONG

A Correspondent Asks Some Pertinent Questions



This is worse than useless. The ordinary member of the public does not know trade prices, specially when only "Grades" are given and these "Grades" are fixed outside the trade, nor the difference between quoting per picul or per bag. A thousand bags of rice equal approximately 1,680 piculs. A bag of rice may contain 224 lbs. or 240 lbs., according to the port from which it is shipped. Landing charges are paid per bag, storage charges also. Freight and Insurance are quoted per ton. Freight may be on either long or short tons. Rice is sold to the public per bag and quoted per picul. Thus it is easy to confuse the issues when giving figures to the press, unless complete information is furnished.

Function Of Govt Control

Government control should confine itself,

(a) To ensuring adequate and healthy supplies of rice in the Colony, (the Medical Officer of Health, it is reported, was obliged to return more than a score of bags of Monopoly rice as being unfit for human consumption when this was issued recently to the Equitable Rice Sales Fund Committee.

(b) To keeping freight rates within bounds,

(c) To providing suitable godowns for the storage of Reserve Stocks,

(d) To limiting dealers' profits to a normal spread, which is said to be fifty to sixty cents per picul.

In order to keep the supplies for the Colony's Reserve Stocks at the required level, the dealers should be helped to obtain cargo space at reasonable costs. Ships

should have no objection to issuing, weekly or fortnightly, a tonnage per month for the purpose of carrying rice to and from the Colony. The cargo space thus reserved should be allotted to the various recognised wholesalers in proportion to their previous average imports and exports.

If Government is convinced that the only satisfactory solution to the rice problem is the creation of a Monopoly, it should be requisitioned in order to ensure a definite tonnage per month for the purpose of carrying rice to and from the Colony.

Thirdly, to publish the average landed cost of Government rice, Ngatsaing and Sughandi, during each month from February to July, 1941.

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RUINS MARK RED RETREAT

Smolensk And Karelia

ZURICH, July 20 (Reuter).—The thoroughness of the Russian scorched earth policy is described in detail by the correspondent on the eastern front of the newspaper "Tribuna."

Smolensk suffered particularly though some arms and textile factories are only partially damaged.

In Karelia, the Russians "have literally razed towns to the ground." Nothing remains of the celebrated Siemens Martin steel-works at Vaertsiila, which had an annual production of 20,000 tons.

Rain Storms

The correspondent mentions the advent of rain on the eastern front. For the first time since the beginning of the offensive, violent rainstorms have occurred in Russia and if these continue, mechanised columns will have very great difficulty in progressing in districts which easily become marshy.

Forest Fires

LONDON, July 20 (Reuter).—Huge forest fires are raging north of Lake Ladoga on the Soviet-Finnish frontier following the withdrawal of the Russian troops, says a Berlin message to Rome.

Towns and villages have been razed to the ground.

Defences of Leningrad

VICHY, July 20 (Reuter).—Leningrad's defensive system is described as one of the most remarkable in the whole world by the Stockholm newspaper, "Nytidslaget Alhanda," quoted by the Vichy news agency.

The writer declares that this defensive system comprises an extensive fortified territory bounded on the west by the River Neva, Lake Pulpus and the River Velikaya; on the east by the Valdai Mountains and on the north by Lake Ladoga and the Gulf of Finland.

Leningrad's fortifications, he says, extend as far as Pleskau. The fortified belt along the Gulf of Finland is stated to be 50 miles in depth.

All these fortified positions have been recently strengthened. Within this area, accommodation is provided for 5,000 aeroplanes.

Tram Runs Into Car

Excitement In City

A collision between a motor car and a tram occurred in the heart of the city about 11 a.m. to-day, resulting in minor damage to the two vehicles, and a traffic hold-up of over five minutes.

An eye witness stated that as a motor car driven by Lo Po was proceeding westward along Des Voeux Road, Central, outside the Bank of East Asia, a Chinese man suddenly dashed out without warning from the pavement to cross to the opposite side. The driver jammed on his brakes to avoid an accident, but a tram which was following the car was not able to stop in time, and crashed into the rear of the motor vehicle. The rear right fender of the car was slightly dented, and the number plate was broken in half. The rear right window pane was also smashed, and the roadside was splintered with broken glass.

The tram car suffered little damage, and no one was injured.

Welfare Of Forces

LONDON, July 20 (British Wireless).—The Admiralty, War Office and Air Ministry have set up jointly a Services Committee for the welfare of the forces.

The Committee will consider questions affecting the welfare of the fighting forces and the Women's Auxiliary services and their families, including such questions as recreation, travelling facilities, canteens and the like.

It is intended to pool the resources of the services for these purposes as much as possible.

Almost Equal Air Losses

Report Of Week

LONDON, July 20 (British Wireless).—Air losses during the week ending July 20 total 47 Axis aeroplanes to 44 British.

Over Great Britain and its coast, the Germans lost 10 to R.A.F. nil.

Over Germany and German occupied territory, the enemy lost 22 to R.A.F. 40.

In the Middle East, the Axis lost 15 to R.A.F. four.

Baltic States Not Regaining Independence

LISBON, July 20 (Reuter).—Reports received from the Baltic states now occupied by Germany suggest that any idea they may have had of independence and freedom was short-lived.

National thought and action are being subordinated to the Reich. The peoples of Latvia, Lithuania and to a less extent Estonia and Western Ukraine, are already sensing that they are intended to be no more than provinces or protectorates within the Reich as part of the plan for Germanised Europe.

De Gaulle In Cairo

CAIRO, July 20 (Reuter).—The Free French leader, General de Gaulle, arrived here to-day.

SHIGEMITSU RETURNS TO TOKYO

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

YOKOHAMA, July 20 (Domei).—

In his first interview upon arrival here this morning from London via America, Mr Mamoru Shigemitsu, Japanese Ambassador to London, said that he was not in a position to comment on his future plans.

Mr Shigemitsu also declined to hazard any guess concerning the outcome of the Anglo-German war. He said that the Japanese Embassy establishments in London suffered from the bombing but fortunately were not destroyed.

The Japanese community comprising between 40 and 50 residents in London, was keeping up an excellent morale and their casualties thus far totalled no more than two or three slightly injured which Mr Shigemitsu termed most fortunate when compared with the British official casualty averages of 5,000 killed and an equal number injured in each month.

Met By Son

Upon his landing here from the N.Y.K. liner Kamakura Maru this morning, Mr Shigemitsu was met by his 15-year-old son, Atsushi, and also Mr Eiji Amari, former Ambassador to Rome, and other Foreign Office officials. Commenting on his trip, Mr Shigemitsu said that he noticed signs of Spanish recovery from the civil war in Madrid where black-outs were absent and food was plentiful.

Copy Cat Goebbels Vies With Our V

LONDON, July 20 (Reuter).—Despite the severe penalties in Germany and German-occupied territory for listening to British broadcasts, the German authorities have abandoned all pretence that people are not listening to the British "V" campaign launched by Mr Churchill.

On the contrary, they have launched a campaign to claim "V" as a signal of German victory.

To-night, Hans Fritscher, who has been described as Goebbels' ace commentator, announced over the Berlin Radio that in Amsterdam and The Hague, giant banners are flying bearing this symbol.

Fleets containing the symbol have been dropped from aeroplanes. In Belgium, he said, cars, lorries and locomotives are all carrying this sign.

Enormous streamers have been put up on the Eiffel Tower in Paris. In Oslo, he said, large streamers bearing the symbol have been hung in railway stations while in Prague flower-beds have been laid out in the shape of the letter "V" and the letter is printed in contrasting colours on newspapers.

Yesterday's Campaign

LONDON, July 20 (Reuter).—The "V" campaign to-day throughout Europe was a complete success.

Colonel Britton, broadcasting to European countries at midnight, said: "A victory has been won. The mobilisation of a V Army against Nazi Germany was a complete success.

The results have already surpassed all expectations and a vast army now stretches from one end of Europe to the other."

Colonel Britton added that the Germans were standing bewildered and frightened, not knowing which direction to face.

The "V" Army stood steady, confident and patient. "There will be no mistakes. We are in no hurry."

Fitters' Bravery In Damaged Sunderland

LONDON, July 20 (British Wireless).—The Distinguished Flying Medal is awarded to Leading Aircraftman Milton Griffin of No. 10 Squadron of the Royal Australian Air Force.

The official account says: "In June, 1941, this airman was the first fitter of a Sunderland aircraft which, in the course of an operation, was attacked by an enemy Focke-Wulf aircraft. After the engagement it was found that the Sunderland was losing large quantities of oil.

Griffin crawled into the wing and discovered two large holes in the bottom of the oil tank. Returning to the hull, he obtained tools, plugs and a two-gallon drum of oil which he took into the wing, and after plugging the holes and piercing the top of the oil tank, he poured in the oil by means of a small tin, and in this way succeeded in maintaining a continuous supply of oil.

"Griffin made four journeys into the wing and in all spent two hours nursing the engine in intense heat and in a very cramped position."

Como Train Smash

LONDON, July 20 (Reuter).—The death toll in the Como train smash is now 30, according to the Swiss radio, which says that 60 were injured and that the train was carrying 700 workmen.



GANG GROWS UP—Remember "Our Gang?" Here are originals at 16th anniversary lunch in Hollywood. From left: Mickey Daniels, Joe E. Cobb, Mary Kornman, Johnny Downs, and Farina. Downs has just been signed by Hal Roach, to play romantic lead in "Campus Rhythm."

Monocle Man Leads Our Sky Troops In Mock Attack

Raining down out of the darkening twilight sky came British parachute troops. Swiftly, they snapped up the equipment that other parachutes had dumped for them. Within a very short time they had located and captured an "enemy" headquarters and destroyed all the telephone communications.

This all happened during the realistic full-scale mock invasion staged in East Anglia recently.

I have just been given the first inside story of this newest branch of the Services—hitherto their work has been kept almost a secret, writes Paul Bewsher in the "Daily Express."

One of the leaders in this mock attack from the air was a tall New Zealand officer who always floats to the ground with a monocle screwed firmly in his eye. Normally he wears spectacles, but the monocle does not fall out if he hits the ground with something of a bump.

"We are tough—but we are not toughs," he told me. "An idea has got about that our men are a lot of gangsters. That's not true."

"On the job our men have a hard task. They must work quickly and know how to kill a man swiftly and skilfully if necessary. But, war apart, they are just a very decent crowd of men."

Quick Wits

All are volunteers with a very high standard of physical fitness. We do everything to make them as hardy as possible.

"But they must be men of much resource and intelligence, too."

"The men are supposed to be under 30—a number are about 22 or 23—and we prefer them to be unmarried."

"They are of all sorts—miners, grooms, car salesmen, racing motorists, young girls of independent means."

"Quite a number are good linguists—and they are encouraged to learn German."

"It is not compulsory for them to be able to ride a horse, and swim a mile, and do a number of other things, as rumoured. But many of them can do it all."

Perfect Timing

"We wear special boots. On a fairly calm day it is possible to land on the ground without even falling over."

"A major problem is ensuring that the men land at exactly the right spot."

"Our methods for doing this must remain a secret, but I can give you the general picture."

"As we near the landing point the men are warned to get ready. Each man is on the alert. At a signal, out they go—one after another—at rapid speed."

"Usually there is a man who counts, calling 'One-two-three-four,' and so on, till the whole 'stick' is dropped. (Each plane-load of men is called a 'stick.' Just as if they were bombs!)

"Once on to ground, you release your parachute, and dash to the arms and equipment container which has drifted down near you, on its own parachute.

"This is opened in a second."

Rounded Up

The men who landed in the mock invasion had only a vague idea where the rear headquarters they were to attack were.

They found it, some of them racing along the roads in a Ford car which they had seized.

While a number of them attacked the headquarters openly, and attracted everybody's attention, the main body got through the barbed wire defences elsewhere, came upon the sentries from behind and overpowered them.

They found maps showing the position of the advance headquarters, and set off to attack that.

But here the Home Guards and police showed their efficiency. The parachutists were rounded up and put out of action.

LETTERS

Rice Prices

The Editor,
Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir,—Relative to correspondence, leaders and reports dealing with this indispensable article of food, which I have read recently, may I humbly opinion one of the most important factors in determining price has been overlooked. While freight charges affect price to a limited extent, Government possesses powers to take over ships' bottom for transport, at its own figure.

Then there arises the question of export. It is stated in certain circles that Government has allowed the export of certain grades or qualities of rice under permit, and this is one of the chief contributory causes to high prices. While stocks are high, prices should be low. It is an economics question of supply and demand.

In view of the political tension prevailing in the East, not one ounce, let alone hundreds and thousands of bags, should be exported under licence. To say the least, the position is ridiculous. If rice of low grade or rice in a supposed deteriorated state is allowed out of the Colony to feed persons residing outside Hongkong, then is it fit for consumption within the Colony; or again, if unfit for human food, then it can be disposed of in limited quantities and under certain guarantees, within the Colony, as food for pigs and poultry.

The Colony is suffering from a shortage of pigs and poultry, so why not encourage producers with the deteriorated article at a nominal figure, the quantity sold to producers being in relationship to the "heads" under production?

There are other phases in the rice price control situation which increase cost of the article and which need exploration (charges for this, that, the other, Government profits, etc.), and if only to allay suspicion, restore confidence, and still tongues, Government should turn the spotlight on this department too.

IP KWAI-CHUNG.

Comment On New Tokyo Cabinet

SYDNEY, July 20 (Reuter).—Sir Frederick Stewart, Australian Minister of External Affairs, to-day described the reconstruction of the Japanese Cabinet as "exceptionally significant."

He said that the strong representation of Navy and Army interests indicated that the Cabinet would conform closely to the requirements of the armed services. There was nothing to suggest any change in the more permanent aspects of foreign policy.

Referring to the dropping of Mr Yosuke Matsukata, Sir Frederick said that there was good reason to believe that the German invasion of Russia left the Japanese with a feeling that they had been misled by their Axis partners.

There the last of the cases were put aboard a merchant ship. Then the freighter set sail for Canada.

The freighter's arrival in Canada was reported in waterfront circles at Halifax recently. Two yachts were strapped to her decks and it was rumoured that there was \$5,000,000 in Norwegian gold stored away in the trim little craft.

CHINESE GIRL'S EXAM SUCCESS

A Canadian-born Chinese girl, Clara Lee-Kwong, led all British Columbians in recent examinations for title and certificate of "Registered Nurse."

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Orchestra Lost All In Blitz—But It Played

Thousands of pounds worth of valuable musical instruments belonging to the London Philharmonic Orchestra were destroyed in a recent air raid.

Only by borrowing instruments was the orchestra able to fulfil its engagement to give a symphony concert on the following day.

MONDAY MORNING COMMENTARY

Football Tourists Stir



Kowloon B.G.C. "A" v. Indian R.C. A. K. Ismail bowling for the Indians at Austin Road, on Saturday. R. P. Phillips ready for his turn on the mat.—Ming Yuen.

Week-end Aquatics

Chu Hang Breaks National Sprint Record At Laichikok

PROMISE of a challenge for the Colony 50 yards free-style title in the swimming championships at the end of the season was provided by Chu Hang at the Hongkong and Kowloon Residents' Union gala at Laichikok on Saturday, when he broke the China National record for the 50 metres in 26.8 seconds.

The time is unofficial, but Hang's quality can be judged by the fact that he beat Tsang Cheong-ming, Lai Tsun sprinter.

Second time on Saturday that was prominent was that of the powerful Sing Tao trio—Shek Kim-pui, Ng Niu and Wong Chi-hung—in the 150 yards medley relay at the Chinese Bathing Club gala at North Point.

These, however, were the only two performances of note, and results were:

C.B.C. Gala

Men's 150 metres invitation medley relay—1, Sing Tao (Shek Kim-pui, Ng Niu, Wong Chi-hung); 2, C.B.C. "A" (Lui Kwan-jun, Enrique Chan, Robert Chan); 3, C.B.C. "B" (Young Tat-fun, Chan Man-po, Chan Chung-hong). Time 1 min. 37.3/5 secs.

Women's 50 metres free-style—1, Miss Ho-wai-king; 2, Miss Leung Ol-mui; 3, Miss Chan Chi-hung. Men's 50 metres free-style handicap—1, Ho Sau-hon; 2, Leung Chau-kwong; 3, Chan Bing-to. Time 45.2/5 secs.

Children's 50 metres relay—1, Fung Sik-cheung and Loon Yiu-hei; 2, Chin Kit-sing and Loon Yiu-hei. Time 48.5 secs. Mixed 50 metres relay—1, Chan Chung-hong and Miss Leung Ol-mui; 2, Chan Man-po and Miss Ho-wai-king; 3, Koo Kai-kuo and Loon Yiu-hei. Time 50.3 secs.

Men's 200 metres breast-stroke handicap—1, Wong Chung-kin; 2, Wong King-wo; 3, Sun Wai-yin. Time 1 min. 40 secs.

Men's 100 metres back-stroke—1, Robert Chan; 2, Sun Wai-yin; 3, Fung Kwai-pan. Time 1 min. 22 secs.

Water Polo

In a water polo match, the home team defeated South China Athletic Association by five clear goals.

Chinese Bathing Club—Po King-fuk; Enrique Chan; and Sung Yiu-tak; Wong Cheung-ki; Fung Sik-cheung; (1), Chu Pak-to; (2), Robert Chan; (3), S.C.A.A.—Tang Sik-hun; Tsang Chung-wan; and Ng Yuk-kwan; Lee Kel-yeung; Ho Yuk-kwan; Fung Wing-kau and Lo Yuk-nin.

Alive?—British reported the death in Crotte of Max Schmoling, former world's heavyweight champion, now a Nazi parachutist trooper. But the Germans assert he is safe, only "slightly ill."

League Bowls

Recreio "A" Again Defeated

RECREIO "A" suffered their fourth defeat of the season when they met the Police Recreation Club on Saturday at Happy Valley, repeating, though under less imposing circumstances, the surprise of last year.

As a result, Craignesower Cricket Club, having played only nine games, are ahead by five points, and seem assured of the First Division Championship.

In the Second Division, Kowloon Tong are in a like position of security, and interest, therefore, is mainly in the final leadership of the Third Division, where the Kowloon Bowling Green Club and the Indians are at the top, the first named leading by half a point.

Three sevens were chalked up by W. Mair (Police) who lost to F. X. Silva 20-28, C. S. Rosselot (Craignesower) who trounced E. C. Fletcher (K.C.C.) 33-9, and B. A. Mansell (H.K.R.C.) who beat H. R. Pinna (Recreio) 25-15.

A similar number of sixes were credited to J. F. McGowan (C.S.C.C.), C. Gowland (P.O.C.) and J. K. Sloan (Electric).

Results at a glance were:

First Division
P.R.C. 71 Rec. "A" 53
K.C.C. 45 C.C.C. 52
Rec. "B" 60 C.S.C.C. 55
K.B.G.C. "A" 66 I.R.C. 55
K.B.G.C. "B" 42 K.D.R.C. 52

Second Division
H.K.R.C. 87 K.C.C. 62
P.O.C. 54 H.K.C.C. 57

Wong San-sam

Local Baseball

Mohawks Surprise U.S.S. Mindanao

SURPRISE is mild word to describe reactions to the baseball upset of the week-end, when the Mohawks broke Mindanao's winning streak with a 7-4 victory and had fans standing.

Lou Powalski yielded to a four-run barrage in the third frame, which Mindanao tied in the fourth, and was relieved in the fifth by Ruell and the outcome was another three runs for the Mohawks that placed them right on top.

It was no surprise when the Mindanao opened with two runs in the first and another in the second, but Mohawks' comeback in the third was the start of fireworks. Mindanao tied in the fourth and then came the sad story of the fifth.

Scores inning by inning were:

Mohawks:
Runs: 0 0 4 0 3 0 0 = 7
Hits: 0 1 2 0 1 0 0 = 6

Mindanao:
Runs: 2 1 0 1 0 0 0 = 4
Hits: 1 1 2 0 1 1 0 = 6

S. China's First Win

SOUTH CHINA, the cellar dwellers pulled off their first victory of the season on Saturday when they nosed out Hongkong's Royal Engineers 8-7 after a thrilling last inning stand by the Sappers.

China went off 1, 3 and 2 to Sappers' single tally in the third. The game seemed "on ice" with two more in the fifth, but in the last frame Sappers put their backs into it and taking advantage of Lau's lapse on the mound crossed the plate five times, losing a thrilling game by the odd run.

Scores were:

South China:
Runs: 1 3 3 0 0 0 = 8
Hits: 1 3 3 0 0 0 = 7

Sappers:
Runs: 0 0 1 0 1 0 0 = 7
Hits: 1 1 2 0 1 0 0 = 7

Happy Valley Golf

W. J. Buller, 2 up, beat G. H. Smith in the 36-holes final of the Junior Championship at the Happy Valley Golf Club yesterday.

Time Off On Saturday For Sport At Home

Internationals On Parade

LONDON, July 20 (Reuter).—British sport reclaimed some of its peacetime prominence over the week-end with first-class cricket, athletics and tennis providing well earned recreation for both athletes and spectators, the majority of whom are serving in the armed forces or civil defence.

About 30 internationals, many of them Olympic Games runners, participated in a charity contest in which the Armed Forces beat Civil Defence 96 points to 80.

Corporal Sidney Wouderson, holder of the half mile and mile world record, competed in the mile with a badly strained Achilles tendon heavily bandaged and finished fourth in the race after arriving too late from Northern England for the half mile.

Cyril Holmes, British Olympic runner, won the 100 yards in 10.1-10, the 220 yards in 23.1-10 and finally broke the tape the third time when he finished first for the armed forces in the relay.

Tournament Tennis

Outstanding feature of the tennis tournament to aid the Red Cross was the match between Mrs. Menzies (formerly Kay Stammers) and the young British hope Jean Nicoll.

Up Rumours

Words of Appreciation Probably Misinterpreted

Local Authorities Unconcerned

(By "Tinker")

WHAT APPEAR to have been a few words of compliment both to the country and the hospitality of the Australians have, I think, received a little too much publicity and prominence at this end of the line. "Reuter's" message the other day that the Eastern-Sing Tao touring football team in Australia had expressed the opinion that they would like to remain down there savours to me of just a natural expression of appreciation.

In quite the same light can be viewed the second part of the cable that some of them would like to open up business down there, for Australia at the moment must be quite a hive of industry for the War Effort.

The fact that "United Press" carried no reference to the wishful thinking adds weight to the belief that the whole is just the outcome of a few words between "Reuter's" representative and one or two of the team, possibly the manager.

However, since the news was printed in Hongkong rumours have been flying around in their usual manner.

Great Attraction

THE tourists have had an enormously successful tour to date, and the presence of a wholly Chinese eleven who are capable of good football has undoubtedly been a major attraction to the Aussies, who have flocked in great numbers to see them play.

The teams they have met have been amateurs and the "gates" have no doubt been shared in accordance with Amateur ruling, and though we are really in ignorance up here as yet, it is just possible that thoughts of professionalism have been entertained.

However, I should imagine that life at Home there is a great difference between amateur and professional soccer down there, and I wonder how the team on tour would measure up to the latter?

Complete Surprise

ALL that, of course, is assuming that the message was a serious one, which I doubt again. In support of my theory is the fact that the news was an absolute surprise to Eastern and Sing Tao officials in Hongkong. No previous mention has been made on the subject either by cable or by letter.

They are expected back here about the first week in September, and their Clubs here see no reason to assume that they will not be back.

Not only are their families and other interests in the Colony, but it is doubtful, extremely doubtful, that the Australian authorities would grant the necessary permission for them to remain in the southern continent.

Early Hitches

I SEE to recall that arrangements for the tour were somewhat difficult. From one or two reports in Australian papers it seemed that the Australian Football Association, though most willing to entertain any such touring team, were at first doubtful whether the visitors could be accommodated in their programme, or something like that.

Behind all this there may have been something else, but in view of that it seems less likely that permission to stay would be granted.

However, when the footballers return, as we expect them to, we shall probably find that the whole was but the outcome of a few idle words of conversation.

Sunny Day

IT'S a sunny day, though we shall probably find that the whole was but the outcome of a few idle words of conversation.

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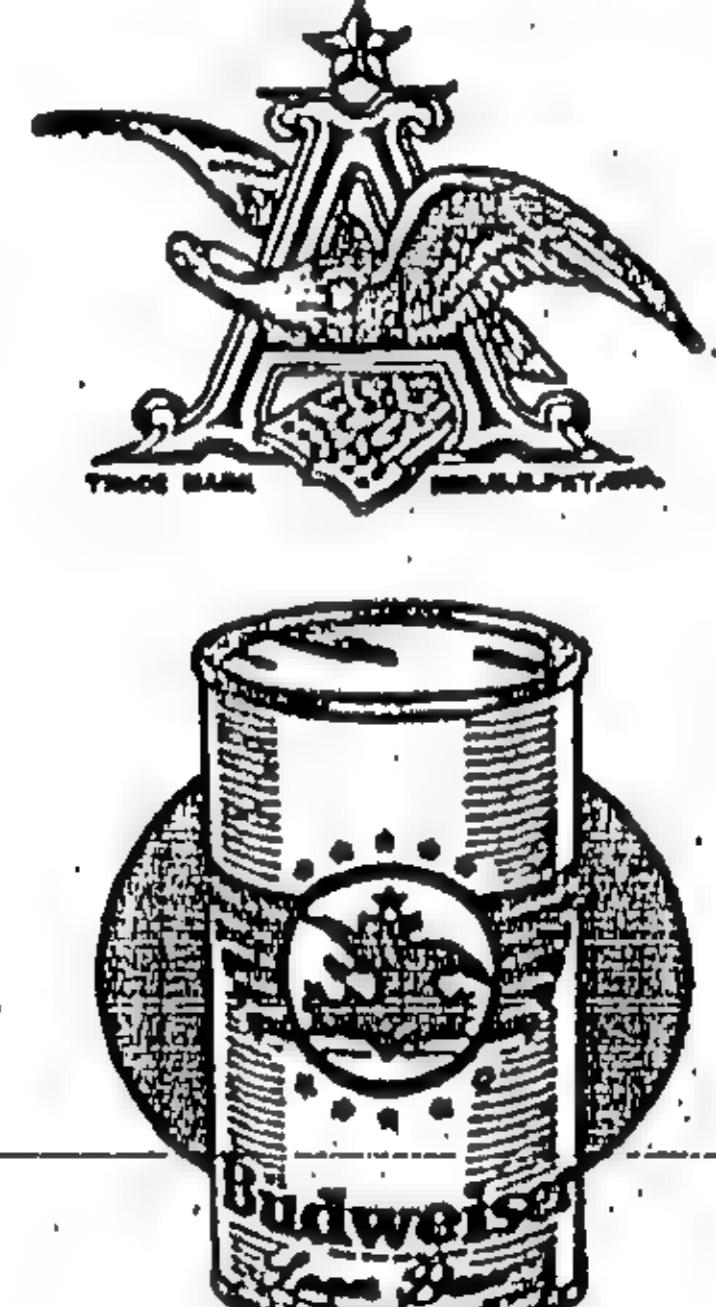
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Vichy, Allied & Turk Forces Fraternise

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terrain to a Turkish frontier post of shaded trees with the Red Crescent of the Turkish flag fluttering in the breeze. A little fountain was playing in the court-yard. At the Customs house, a Turkish Captain and Lieutenant and Customs officials offered us coffee, cigarettes and iced water. The atmosphere was most cordial.

To reach Syria's bluest city, I have motored some 250 miles through the heart of the country and found the roads to the north humming with Allied transport.

Released Prisoners

We passed many Vichy military camps being dismantled and a convoy of released British prisoners, who cheered lustily.

Rows of Vichy transports, guns and ammunition dumps lay dejectedly on the roadside while soldiers were packing their kit and preparing to leave for the Tripoli area, which is at present a neutral zone and reserved for Vichy troops.

Tak aerodrome showed evidence of R.A.F. bombing. Hangars were smashed and large ammunition dumps were blown sky-high.

Aleppo airport, already occupied by the R.A.F. and buzzing with activity, still shows the shattered remains of burned-out planes and damaged buildings.

In Aleppo itself, there are still several thousand Vichy soldiers and airmen. It is rather strange sitting in restaurants next to Vichy Air Force officers who had probably been ground-strafing one a few days earlier.

No Animosity

However, there are no outward signs of animosity although Vichy soldiers seem deeply affected and depressed after the campaign.

Here I conducted for the first time mysterious British and Indian columns who had plunged a thousand miles across the endless desert from Iraq via Delr el Zor to Aleppo from the flank. Looking very fit and sun-burned, these troops are in the finest fettle. They said that some of the worst times they had were due to enemy aircraft. They had little protection against air attacks.

On one occasion more than 30 bombers escorted by fighters ground-strafed them en route, but they declared that all they needed was a bath. "We have not had one for two months."

Efficient Indian Troops

Although full details of the part played by Indian troops are not yet revealed, Britishers are full of praise for the manner these forces, starting from Basra, assisted in cleaning up Habaniyah and Baghdad in Iraq and then carried on in the Syrian campaign.

They never complained and showed a very high degree of discipline, proving ideal troops for such firing warfare.

There is no doubt that the Syrian campaign was handled in a masterly manner and great credit is due to these phantom desert columns in regard to the enemy morale breaking down so early.

Axie Nationals

BEIRUT, July 20 (Reuters).—German and Italian nationals as well as nationals of enemy-occupied countries are required to register with the Police within three days under an order issued by the occupation authorities here.

More Enemy Shipping Attacked

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Saturday, streaking down one after the other from 250 feet to 50 feet. After the fourth of the six fighters had dived, all guns on the "flak" ship stopped firing.

Another attack on Saturday was made by a lone fighter pilot on a 1,500-ton motor ship half a mile from the French coast. Diving down nearly to sea-level, he dashed away with his cannon and machine-guns, only stopping firing when he was nearly hitting the mast. As he broke away, he saw flashes of explosions and smoke coming from the bridge. The vessel turned immediately and made for shore.

BRITISH CABINET CHANGES

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tary to the Ministry of Information, becomes Governor of the B.B.C.

Colonel G. S. H. Watt becomes the Prime Minister's Parliamentary Private Secretary.

Sir Hugh Seely becomes an additional Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State to the Air Ministry.

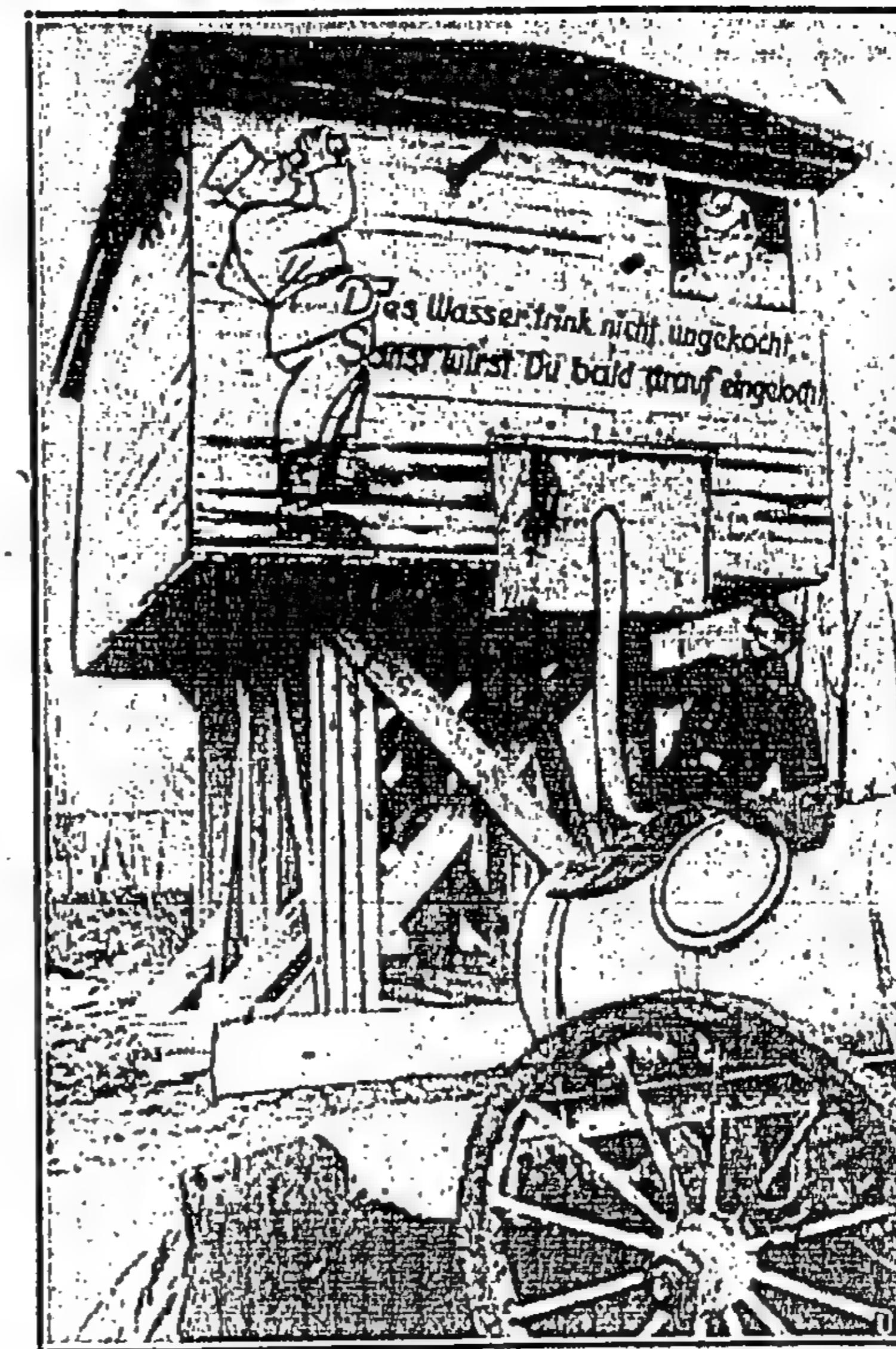
Captain H. H. Balfour, Mr Tom Williams, M.P., and Major Lloyd George become Privy Councillors.

State Of Siege In Bolivia

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" LA PAZ, Bolivia, July 20 (UPI).—A national state of siege has been declared due to the subversive movement that has been uncovered.

Simultaneously, and without explanation, the German Minister, Herr Ernst Wendeler, has been declared persona non grata.

The secretary to the President told the "United Press" that the subversive elements were consiving with the totalitarian nations. The Minister of the Interior said that the country was tranquil, and that all measures taken were purely precautionary.



BAD WATER — Germans made a rhyme to let inhabitants of unnamed area in occupied France know water in tank was not for human consumption, without first boiling. Cartoon sets off rhyme.

JAPANESE LEAVING S. AFRICA

Latest Donations To Bomber Fund

VICHY, July 20 (Reuters).—The Japanese colony in South Africa is preparing to return to Japan, according to a Johannesburg report to the Vichy news agency.

"Well-informed circles" are quoted as stating that the order to return came from the Tokyo Government. It is added that the Japanese Report would not comment on the report.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued Saturday, is:

Buyers

H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	\$7.50
H.K. Govt 3 1/2% Loan (1934)	93.75
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Union Ins.	\$400
H.K. Fire Ins.	\$185
Wharves \$90	
Provident \$5.80	
Realities \$3.10	
Trams \$10.90	
Electrics "O" X. Rts	\$22
Electrics "N" \$21	
Electrics Rts	\$11
Watsons \$10.45	

Sellers

Provident \$5.95	
Hotels \$3.60	
Lands \$35.50	
Realities \$3.40	
Cements \$15.25	
Ropes \$9	
Watsons \$10.75	

Sales

H.K. Govt 3 1/2% Loan (1934)	95
H.K. Banks \$1,415	
Provident \$5.85/90	
Realities \$3.30	
Trams \$17.15	
Lights "O" \$6	
Electrics Rts \$11	

U. S. A. AND INDIA AGREEMENT

LONDON, July 20 (Reuters).—The India Office announces that the British and American governments, in consultation with the Government of India, have agreed to a reciprocal exchange of representatives between the United States and India.

Sir Girja Shanker Bajpal, a member of the Viceroy's Council, has been appointed the first Agent-General for India in the United States.

The name of the United States representative in India will be announced shortly.

Education Inspector To Singapore

Mr Yu Chun-hsen, Director of the Educational Department of the Overseas Affairs Commission, who arrived here recently en route to the South Sea regions to inspect overseas Chinese education there, will leave for Singapore towards the end of this month, says "Central News".

Since his arrival here, he has been busy inspecting Chinese schools in the Colony. He went to Macao a few days ago to inspect the schools there.

DEATH

COATES.—On July 21, 1941, at St. Teresa's Hospital, Gladys Hannah, beloved wife of A. E. Coates, Aged 31. Funeral will pass the Monument to-morrow at 5.30 p.m. (Shanghai, Tientsin and Manila papers please copy).

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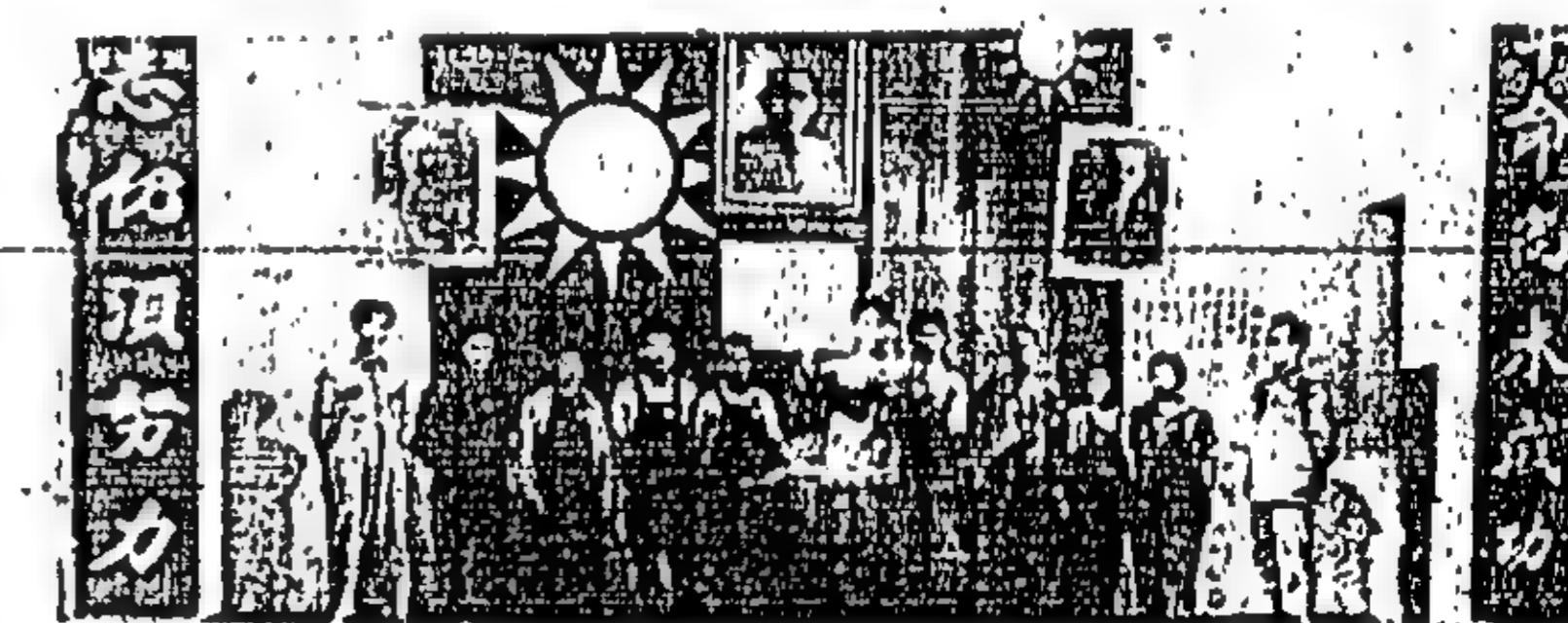
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His Holiness The Pope, Pius XII



ANXIETY FOR THE POPE

Suffers Nervous Exhaustion

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
VATICAN CITY, July 20 (UP).—Well informed quarters are anxious about the health of Pope Pius XII.

It is believed that His Holiness is suffering in health owing to his constant efforts to alleviate the miseries of the war through prayers, meditation and exhortations.

It is reported that the Pope is suffering from nervous exhaustion and that his state is becoming more acute.

He has been under the constant care of his personal physician during the past week.

WEEK-END TOLL OF AXIS SHIPPING

LONDON, July 20 (Reuter).—Fifty-five thousand tons of Axis shipping have been destroyed by British bombers during the week-end.

Announcing this, the Air Ministry states that this figure was reached when a German tanker of about 7,000 tons was disposed of to-day. This tanker, originally attacked by British fighters, was later found by Blenheim bombers off the French coast near Le Touquet. The bombers came down to mast height to deliver their attack and the tanker was hit amidships and astern, causing an immense explosion.

Tanker Beached

During the attack, British bombers drove off three German machines from one of which black smoke was seen pouring.

Later in the evening, reconnaissance showed that the tanker had been beached near Berck-sur-Mer at the stern with the bow well out of the water and a trail of oil was drifting seawards.

Colony Evacuees Air Views in Australia

Hongkong women evacuees have been airing their views in the Sydney "Sun," the following letters having been published.

Four Hongkong women evacuees in Sydney have written to "The Sun" expressing their desire to take part in Australia's war effort.

The four—Mrs K. L. Vernall, Mrs M. V. Bons, Mrs P. E. Langley and Mrs E. M. Dixey-Beal, of Kirham Street, Beccaford—write:

"Regarding the so-called contributions of husbands to the maintenance of their wives in Australia, the only people receiving help are those in real need. The majority are entirely supported by their husbands."

"There is no need for any woman to twiddle her thumbs." In a country where the war effort is in full swing, there are many opportunities to help—for example, the camouflage net-making at David Jones."

Mr E. Maughan, Finance Liaison Officer to the Hongkong Government, said to-day that there appeared to be a general public misunderstanding

SOVIETS START A NEW COUNTER-OFFENSIVE

Claim Recapture Of An Unnamed City

Special to the "Telegraph"

Latest development in the Russo-German war is a reported powerful counter-attack by the Soviets on an unrevealed part of the battlefield.

"United Press" from Moscow quotes the "Red Star", the Russian army's newspaper, which declares that a powerful counter-offensive is in full swing somewhere on the front where the Russians have recaptured an unnamed city the initial letter of which is "S", at the same time inflicting heavy losses on the Nazis and capturing a considerable quantity of war materials.

REDS MASS FOR BIG THRUST

Soviet Battle Line Intact
(By "Reuter's" Military Commentator)

LONDON, July 20 (UP).—Reports from Moscow indicate that the Soviets are massing enormous air and mechanised forces in the Moscow region in preparation for a counter-thrust, as Marshal Timoshenko's army on the Central front continues to wage a bitter retiring action to enable these reserves to assemble in battle positions.

It is believed that Marshal Timoshenko is so far maintaining his armies intact through the murderous rearguard fighting against the supreme German thrust towards Moscow.

Neither German nor Soviet reports justify the view that the Germans have succeeded in driving a wedge completely through the Red armies, severing the northern front, the southern wing.

Confused reports suggest that the Germans so far have succeeded only in driving a big bulge in the central front in the Polotsk-Nevel sector.

Comparing the Russian and French campaigns, it is pointed out here that nowhere along the entire front have the Germans made a clean break-through such as was achieved at Sedan. The Germans advanced 305 miles from their point of departure in Poland during the first four weeks of the war, but this initial momentum, which gave them 23 miles daily, has been reduced to eight miles daily since they reached the Soviet lines.

Keeping Morale High

In Moscow's famous shopping street, Kuznetsky, there is a vast display of anti-Hitler cartoons, posters and even oil paintings some with comic verses attached.

One painting recently shown in the neighbourhood of Leningrad depicts Teuton knights drowning in the Neva river.

The weight of German pressure has been relaxed in the Pskov region, south-east of Lake Peipus, and in the Polish and Smolensk areas.

The communiqué to-day reported that positions remained unchanged during the past week and did not confirm the reported German successes.

There appeared to be a lull along the front south of Smolensk, from Novgorod-Volynsk, from which there is no fresh news.

The weather continued to limit aerial operations.

Slowing Down

BASLE, July 20 (Reuter).—A threat to Moscow is considered opportune at the present moment in official Nazi circles, according to the Berlin correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten."

The correspondent comments that this attitude is regarded as an indication that the German drive is slowing down.

Further Berlin Claims

BERLIN, July 20 (UP).—Authorised quarters claim that the German armies are pursuing Soviet troops on a vast front and at the same time hampering Soviet efforts to install new defence lines west of Moscow and clearing defence pockets behind the fronts, with high Soviet casualties.

The High Command announces: "German and Rumanian forces are advancing from Bessarabia after breaking resistance on the east bank of the Dniester. In the area around Smolensk operations are proceeding further according to plan. On the Pianish front, further successes have been scored. At numerous points on the eastern front, desperate break-out attempts by Soviet troops have been foiled with bloody losses."

After nearly a year in Australia, I TURN to Back Page, Column 5

An official Moscow communiqué declares that fierce fighting continues throughout Saturday night in the directions of Polotsk, Smolensk and Novograd-Volynsk, but that nothing of importance occurred elsewhere.

In view of this it appears that the reported Russian counter-offensive is taking place in the Smolensk area.

Berlin Communiqué

"United Press" also quotes the Berlin communiqué issued yesterday, which reads:

"The German and Rumanian forces advancing from Bessarabia after breaking resistance on the eastern bank of the Dniester have taken up the pursuit."

"Around Smolensk, operations are proceeding according to plan."

"On the Pianish front, further successes have been scored."

"At many points on the Eastern Front, desperate attempts by the Soviet troops to break out of their encirclement were smashed. The enemy suffered heavy losses."

Meanwhile, the D.N.B. claimed that the German air force yesterday carried out heavy attacks on the railway communications of the Red Army, on marching columns and field fortifications. A large number of trains are claimed to have been destroyed, tracks at many points cut, and stations smashed.

The D.N.B. reports further that German bombers yesterday again attacked light Soviet naval forces east of the island of Hungoo. It claims that one destroyer was set afire and two others were severely damaged. Southeast of Fishermen's Peninsula (Rybachi), a 4,000-ton merchantman is stated to have been sunk.

Bessarabia Fighting

LONDON, July 20 (Reuter).—A violent battle is reported in Rome to-night to be raging east of Dniester River which the Nazis claimed yesterday to have crossed from East Prussia.

German and Rumanian troops, operating from bases on the other side of the river, have already reached the Stalin Line fort, says a despatch to the official Italian news agency.

These consist of cement and steel structures defended by artillery of all calibres and manned by some of the finest troops in the Soviet army.

By last night, a breach had been made in one sector of the line, adds the dispatch.

LATEST

Red Guerrillas Harass Nazis

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, July 20 (UP).—A communiqué issued to-night says that successful guerrilla operations have developed in the rear of the German troops and that heavy losses are being inflicted on the enemy.

It was added that the Russian air force on Sunday continued to destroy motorised and mechanised troops.

The communiqué corrected an earlier report on July 18 claiming that 71 German planes had been destroyed instead of 22 as originally announced.

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"Are We Down-hearted? I Should Say Not!"

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More Enemy Shipping Attacked: R.A.F. Set Nazi Tanker Ablaze

LONDON, July 20 (Reuter).—British fighters have again been active over Northern France to-day and have set fire to another German tanker.

The Air Ministry, announcing this, says: "Our aircraft have been active over the Channel to-day, and formations of fighters flew over Northern France. The weather, however, did not favour large-scale operations."

"Fighters attacked with their guns an enemy tanker off the French coast, setting it afire. They also attacked an anti-aircraft vessel, which was escorting the tanker."

Border Incident

Immigration Officer Detained

A Chinese officer of the Immigration Department, stationed at Shantung, New Territories, has been detained by the Police.

It is alleged that the officer obtained \$9 from two Chinese, who crossed the border into the Colony on Thursday last. The incident was seen by two other officers of the same Department who had him arrested.

As they approached the Police Station, the officer who is alleged to have obtained the money, broke away and ran to Chinese territory. He was re-arrested by Japanese soldiers and handed over to the Police.

It is understood that he has been charged and allowed \$5,000 bail.

Japanese Transports Pass Lantao Is.

A convoy of 15 Japanese transports and supply ships were sighted off Lantao Island yesterday, outside British waters. They were apparently moving southward from the Pearl River.

Closed For Repairs

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, July 20 (UP).—Shipping circles stated to-day that ten Japanese steamers, en route home from American Atlantic ports, have been ordered to abandon their efforts to pass through the Panama Canal and are proceeding instead, via Cape Horn.

Two of the vessels had left Cristobal on Sunday after the Canal authorities had refused passage on the grounds that the Canal is undergoing repairs.

American vessels are passing through, leading to the belief that the work under way is such that they do not wish to expose it to Japanese eyes.

The Japanese Embassy which last week approached the State Department is reported to have abandoned its efforts and has approved the orders to proceed via Cape Horn.

It is learned that five Japanese vessels were outside Cristobal at noon on Sunday awaiting possible permission to pass through the Canal, but it is understood that all would start via the Cape during the next twenty-four hours.

While this attack was proceeding, six other Hurricanes poured thousands of machine-gun bullets into an anti-aircraft ship escorting the tanker.

Half a dozen Hurricanes attacked an "flak" (anti-aircraft) ship on

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Roosevelt Message Of Paramount Importance

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, July 20 (UP).—President Roosevelt today drafted a 2,000-word message to Congress which his secretary, Mr Stephen Early, said will probably go to the Capitol on Monday, urging the extension of the service period of draftees

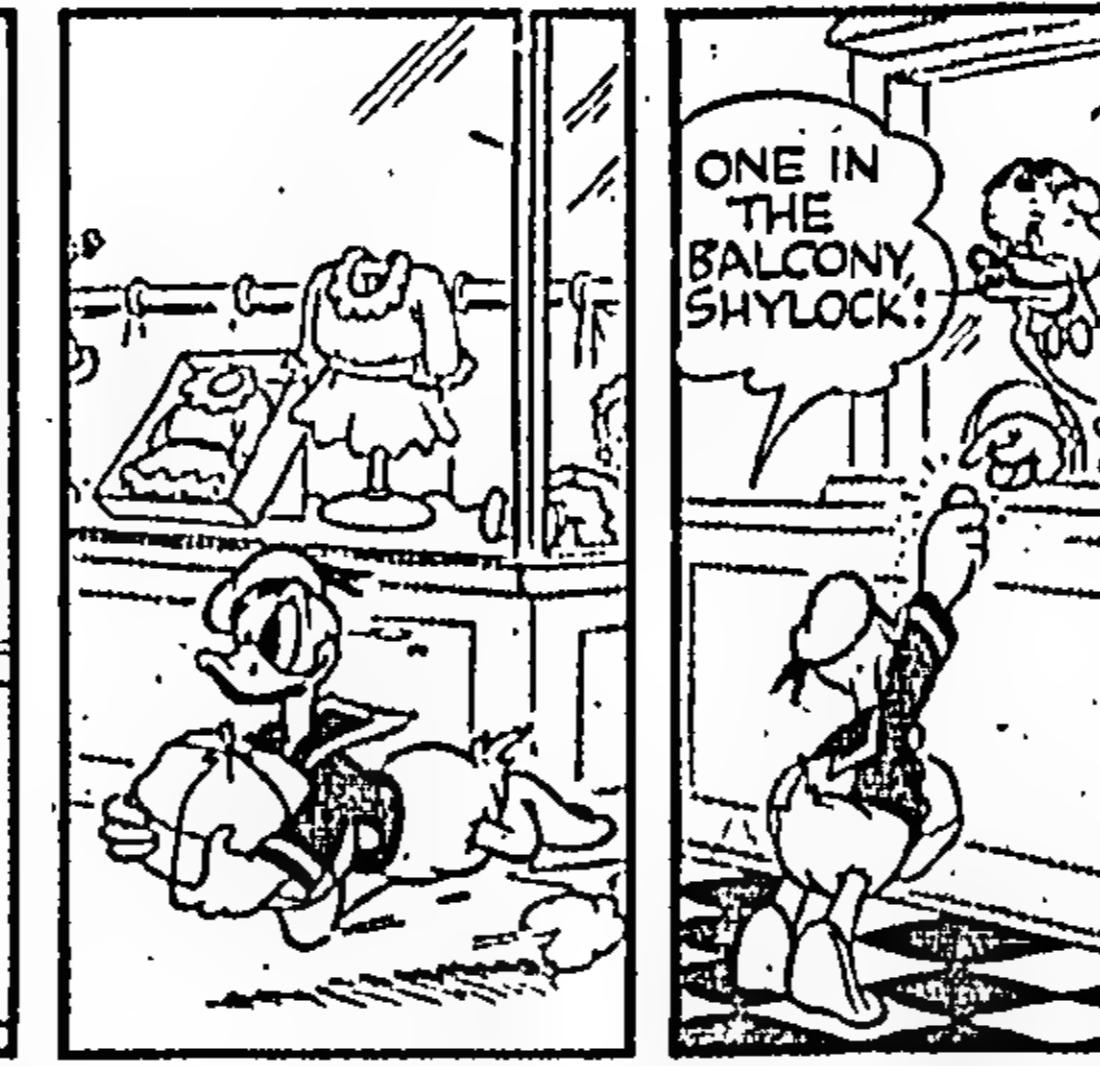
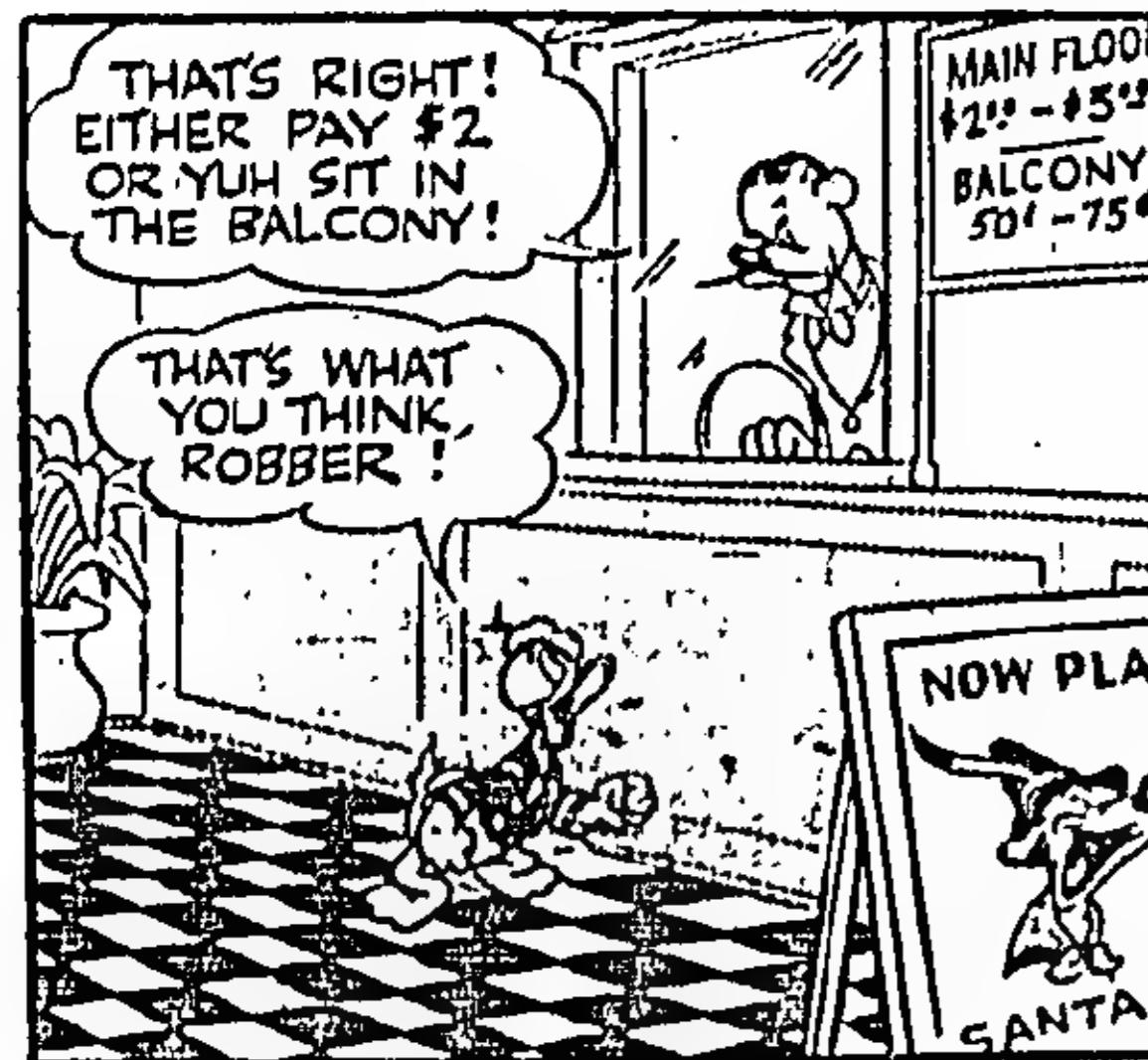
Paramount Importance

WASHINGTON, July 20 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt's message to Congress on the extension of the service of draftees is of "such paramount importance" that it is to be recorded for broadcasting, it is announced from the White House to-night.

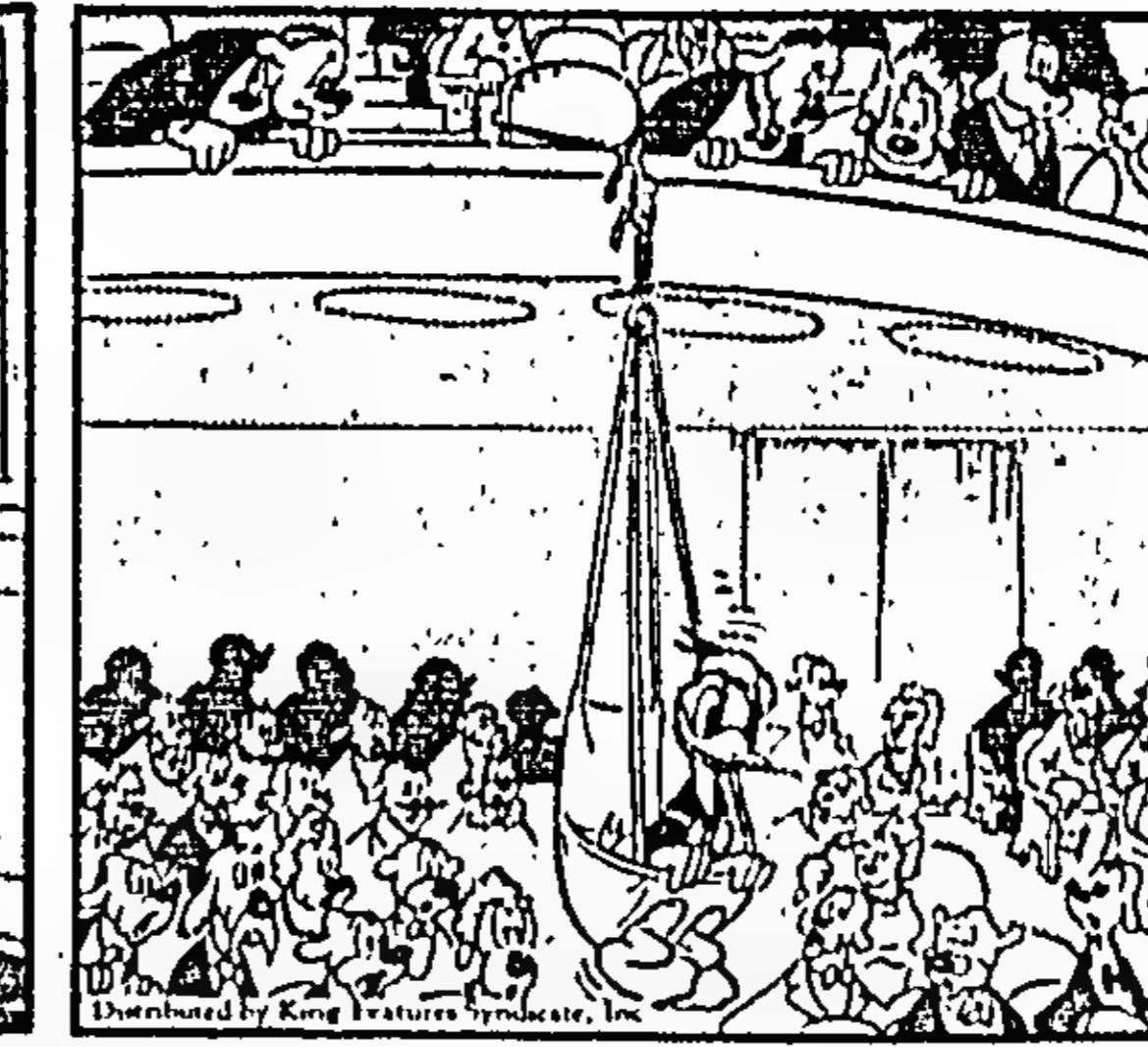
The message is expected to be sent to Congress about mid-day tomorrow (4 p.m. G.M.T.).

Mr Stephen Early, the President's Private Secretary, stated to-night that the message "will be heard throughout the country as if President Roosevelt was in fact broadcasting."

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4.—The right to publish any or all of the entries is reserved to the Hongkong Telegraph.

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6.—No responsibility will be accepted for non-delivery of, loss of, or damage to entries.

7.—All entries to be either black, sepia, or tinted pictures, and must be mounted on required photographs are ineligible.

8.—Pictures submitted in sepia tones should be accompanied by a negative in black and white.

9.—No picture to enter in more than one Section.

10.—Mounts to be only white or cream, must be of one of the following sizes—10x12, 16x20.

11.—No correspondence will be entered into in connection with the Competition.

12.—Members of the Staffs of the Hongkong Telegraph and the South China Morning Post are not permitted to compete.

13.—The decision of the Judges shall be final.

14.—At the conclusion of the Competition, entries will be returned to the competitor, on application at the Telegraph offices within seven days.

15.—The use of aliases is strictly forbidden.

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Greek Leaders Expected In Britain

LONDON, July 20 (Reuter).—King George of the Hellenes and Dr Emmanuel Tsouderos, President of the Greek Council, may shortly reach Britain from South Africa.

This is indicated in messages sent to the King of the Hellenes by Mr Winston Churchill and to Dr Tsouderos by Mr Anthony Eden.

Expressing admiration for the fortitude shown by the King of the Hellenes, Mr Churchill in his message says, "The warmest welcome awaits you here where all are resolved to conquer or perish."

Prosecution of War

Replying, the King says, "I am looking forward to meeting you and many friends in Britain."

Mr Eden, in his message to Dr Tsouderos, also refers to the future meeting in London to "discuss further measures for the prosecution of our joint war effort."

Dr Tsouderos, replying, welcomes the suggestion.

TURKS WELCOME NEW NEIGHBOURS

ISTANBUL, July 20 (Reuter).—The Turks are pleased at the establishment of British military authority in Syria because they have become neighbours with their British ally, writes the well-known Deputy, M. Yalchikin, in the Turkish paper, "Yenibahar."

Arguing that this fulfills the basic principles of the Tripartite Mutual Assistance Pact, M. Yalchikin says that the Allies are leading Syria towards complete independence.

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A Page For The Evacuees

Monday

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Mr Barry stated that he had knowledge of rumours that any representations had been made by any Chinese firms to Government for the reduction of prices. The only representation received, he said, was from the Hon. Director of Medical Services in his capacity as Chairman of the Equitable Rice Sales Fund Committee.

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Monastery Murder. A verdict of murder by a person or persons unknown was returned by Mr S. F. Balfour at the District Office, South-to-day, following an inquiry held into the death of Kwo Sheng, 42, a woman, who died from gunshot wounds at the Law, Hon Ngan Monastery, Lantau Island, on May 2. There was no jury, and Acting Sub-Inspector Estall conducted the case for the Police.

The above verdict was returned after evidence had been given by Lal Ying, Luk Kwong-yau, Ho Lau and Chiu Lam, the other inmates of

the body of Kwo Sheng on the premises.

Yiu Hing, a widow employed on the premises, said she heard dogs barking on the night of May 1, and on waking up and looking through a window, saw a number of people. Police whistles were blown, and she ran to the altar room where Kwo Sheng was praying. She heard a

Monastery was furnished with the usual temple belongings, and there was nothing of special value in the place. He had since obtained a permit to keep a shotgun at the entrance to the monastery.

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Anti-TB Campaign. The pamphlets warning the general public against indiscriminate spitting, and requesting co-operation to enforce the law, are now being distributed throughout the Colony by the Hongkong Anti-Tuberculosis Association.

Thousands of these pamphlets, printed in the English and Chinese languages, will be circulated.

The English version, headed "Warning Notice," reads:

"On April 25, 1940, the Hongkong Government passed a law prohibiting spitting in public places, except into spittoon or drainage channel. On

May 28, 1941, the first prosecution under this new law took place at the Central Magistracy against Lei Yu, who was convicted of spitting on the roadway and fined \$5. Indiscriminate spitting may result in others becoming infected with tuberculosis.

5,751 persons were killed by tuberculosis in 1940.

We need your help to enforce the law against this dirty and dangerous habit.

Persons guilty of indiscriminate spitting will be prosecuted.

Market Prices Higher. Market prices of foodstuffs continue to fluctuate. On Saturday, the price of beef, chicken and pork had risen considerably above Wednesday's quotations, though vegetables were cheaper. Fruit, except for bananas which are not plentiful, are lower (though prices at the grocerias are higher than at the market).

The most welcome news of the week is the fall in price of potatoes. From 25 cents on Wednesday, they were selling for 12 cents on Saturday; while new potatoes were 10 cents. Onions, too, were both plentiful and cheap, American onions being 12 cents while Shanghai onions were only 6 cents.

Prices ruling on Saturday, with Wednesday's prices in brackets,

Pork 95 cts a pound (65 cts). Beef 75 cts a pound (70 cts).

Chicken \$2.65 a catty (\$2.25).

Eggs 50 cts a dozen (58 cts).

Potatoes 12 cts., and 10 cts new (25 cts).

Tomatoes 15 cts (20 cts).

Oranges \$2.40 a dozen (\$8.00).

Apples 50 cts green and 65 cts red (80 cts and 90 cts at grocerias).

Bananas 40 cts (35 cts).

Duck \$1 a catty.

Carrots 20 cts a pound.

Beets 12 cts a pound.

Victims of Heat. A considerable crowd collected in Johnston Road at its junction with Fleming Road this afternoon, slowing down traffic, when a middle-aged Chinese woman, who was unaccompanied by a small girl, fainted.

Passers-by carried her to the roadside, and first-aid was applied.

Someone sent for an ambulance from the nearby Fire Station. The woman revived, but, when asked to enter the ambulance, stoutly refused. The little girl was wailing bitterly, and the ambulance dressers and others attempted to persuade her to go to hospital.

When the woman continued to refuse, the dressers began arguing with her, the child wailing more loudly, and the noise drew more people to the scene. Finally, she gave in and was whisked away in the ambulance after a fifteen minute street scene.

A middle-aged Chinese pedestrian suddenly collapsed in a dead faint outside the Lake View Building in Queen's Road Central, about 5 p.m. to-day.

The man, Lee Hung, 32, of No. 7 Cheung Hing Street, near Hollywood Road, regained consciousness as the ambulance arrived and took him to hospital.

Volunteer Fined. W. B. J. Bainbridge of the Dairy Farm Company, No. 74 Nathan Road, was fined \$100 by Mr C. M. Macnamara at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, when he was summoned for failing to comply with an order issued by Col. H. B. Rose, Commandant of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, on June 20.

The order was in a registered letter sent to Defendant, instructing him to come to the Volunteer Headquarters on June 23 for the purpose of giving his reasons for failing to attend parades and failing to comply with instructions.

Mr Barry had intimated that if he reduced the price of the three lowest grades of rice to the public, he doubted whether he would be in a position to meet the demand.

In return, the Chairman had suggested the practicability of increasing the holding of the lower three grades by admixture with Grade B and by some means to bring the price of A, B and C which had been in store for some months and showed signs of slight deterioration, but were fit for human consumption.

The Committee expressed the hope that the Manager, Hongkong Rice Monopoly, would give sympathetic consideration to these proposals.

The Committee was unanimous in its view that every possible step should be taken by Government to secure lower prices for rice, whether by adjusting freight rates, or by agreement with the Burma and Thai Governments in respect of selling prices in the country of origin or by actual subsidy of the imported rice.

Mr J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, assisted by the Volunteer Adjutant, Capt. E. N. Thursby. It was stated that Defense Adjutant General from July 1930 to February 1934.

He saw service in the Great War and was awarded the Military Cross,

**Review Of
The
Principal
Topics**

**July 13
To July 19**

Wednesday

July 16

Water Polo. After a lapse of about a week, the Invitation Water-polo Tournament sponsored by the European Y.M.C.A. got under way again this evening when five matches were held in the Army Swimming pool at Queen's Road.

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Monks. Among those present were Mr Sollies, Mr H. G. Wallington, Principal of King's College, Mr M. G. O'Connor, Principal of Queen's College, Miss Bascombe, Principal of Bishop's Boys' School, the Rev. E. W. L. Martin, Warden of St. Stephen's College, Professor Chow Sheung-tai, representative of the Ministry of Education (Chungking), Professor Y. K. Chu (Dean of Lingnan University), Mr W. J. Dyers, Mrs R. A. Hill, Miss Griffin, Dr Liang San-shen, Mr K. P. Chan and many others.

Traffic Fatalities. In the Colony of Hongkong, including the Island, Kowloon and New Territories, during the week ended on Saturday, there were altogether 95 traffic accidents as the result of which four persons were killed and 24 persons were injured.

Of the persons killed, two Chinese females aged 8 and 5, and a Chinese male, aged 56, were knocked down and killed by a bus, a lorry and a tram-car respectively while crossing the carriageway and a Bren carrier passenger died from injuries received when the carrier ran off the road.

Of the persons injured, 14 were pedestrians who were struck by vehicles while crossing the carriageway, a bicycle rider, a private car driver and two passengers were injured as the result of collisions between vehicles, a motor cyclist, a Bren carrier driver and one passenger were injured when their vehicles ran off the roadway, two lorry passengers were injured when their lorry ran into a hillside and a bus passenger was injured by falling off a moving bus.

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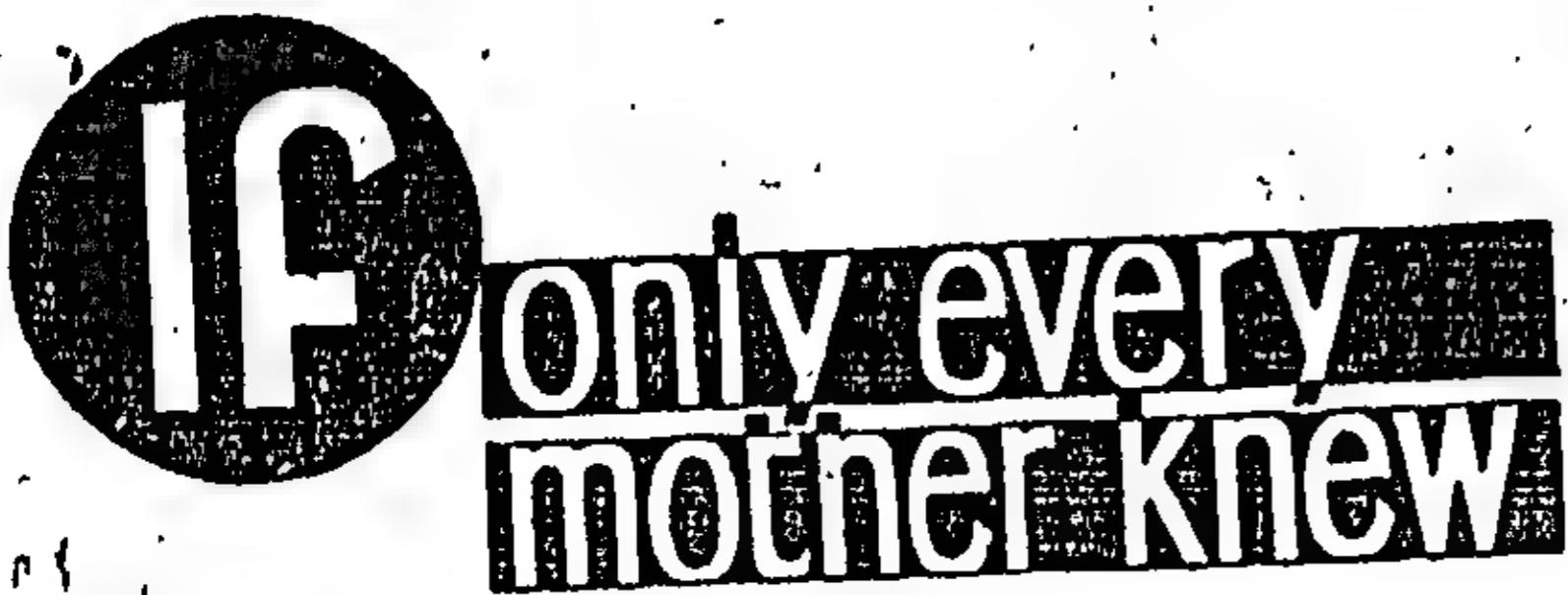
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TOTAL WARFARE

TOTAL war, 1941 style, has taught a number of lessons, four of which stand out prominently. Firstly, that modern defence means, to all intents and purposes, all-out attack. The day of the static concept of defence is over, and modern war, which is totalitarian war, involves the harnessed, co-ordinated yet flexible total effort of the total people; it embraces, not only armies, navies and air forces, but capital, labour, industry, the politician and the priest.

The second factor is the development of the aeroplane as an instrument of war, which has placed entire cities under siege for the first time since the Middle Ages. As Hanson W. Baldwin, the American military expert declares: "The enemy now assaults with blazing oil and fire bombs the castle of our security—our homes. And this assault—vicious, unpredictable, sudden—has made the home front of equal importance with the military front; every citizen is now a soldier."

The third lesson is that the tremendously increased use of aviation in warfare has forced a major alteration in the form of world sea power. Control of the sea can no longer be fitted to the old-fashioned concept of the past, though the prime necessity for this control as an effective and strategic weapon remains unchanged. To-day, however, sea warfare has become three-dimensional, demanding control of the surface, the skies above and the sea beneath. Planes and submarines are indispensable if a navy is to rule the seas; it is by these two weapons that the Nazis are endeavouring to threaten and challenge the sea might of Britain. But the British have learnt one valuable lesson; the discovery that the bomb dropped from an aeroplane is much less of a threat to warships than the torpedo. This is demonstrated by the fact that not a single modern capital ship has yet been sunk in an air attack.

Britain and her Allies have now adjusted themselves to the Nazi idea of totalitarian war, recognising that only by striking back with similar methods can that menace be successfully countered and finally obliterated; and while the instruments of modern warfare are more fearful and destructive, the deciding factor remains the same—the individual skill and morale of the combatants. This, in the ultimate, will bring about the defeat of Nazism.

RICE MONOPOLY IN HONGKONG

A Correspondent Asks Some Pertinent Questions



tion is worse than useless. The ordinary member of the public does not know trade prices, specially when only "Grades" are given and these "Grades" are fixed outside the trade, nor the difference between quoting per picul or per bag. A thousand bags of rice equal approximately 1,680 piculs. A bag of rice may contain 224 lbs. or 240 lbs., according to the port from which it is shipped. Landing charges are paid per bag, storage charges also. Freight and Insurance are quoted per ton. Freight may be on either long or short tons. Rice is sold to the public per bag and quoted per picul. Thus it is easy to confuse the issues when giving figures to the press, unless complete information is furnished.

Function Of Govt Control

Government control should confine itself,

(a) To ensuring adequate and healthy supplies of rice in the Colony, (the Medical Officer of Health, it is reported, was obliged to return more than a score of bags of Monopoly rice as being unfit for human consumption when this was issued recently to the Equitable Rice Sales Fund Committee.

(b) To keeping freight rates within bounds,

(c) To providing suitable godowns for the storage of Reserve Stocks,

(d) To limiting dealers' profits to a normal spread, which is said to be fifty to sixty cents per picul.

In order to keep the supplies for the Colony's Reserve Stocks at the required level, the dealers should be helped to obtain cargo space at reasonable costs. Ships should be requisitioned in order to keep the supplies within bounds,

Fourthly, to publish freight rates for the months in question.

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GERMAN CONVOY DESTROYED

Leningrad Threat Removed

LONDON, July 20 (Reuter).—Heavy fighting continues in all sectors of the Russo-German front, according to both the Moscow and Berlin communiques, but neither side make any decisive claims.

The Russian communiqué still speaks of heavy fighting about 160 miles southwest of Leningrad and claims the destruction of a German convoy in the Baltic Sea.

Strongly escorted convoys were attacked by Russian bombers which sank 11 German transports, a destroyer and a torpedo-boat.

A large-scale German landing to reinforce the attack on Leningrad is believed to have been frustrated by the destruction of the convoy.

Speaking of the recent extravagant German claims, the Russian communiqué says that apart from continuing heavy attack in most sectors, no changes of importance have taken place.

It still discusses heavy fighting in the Smolensk sector, over 200 miles west of Moscow. Heavy fighting about 120 miles west of Kiev is also reported, but the German report that Novograd-Volynsk has been captured remains another unconfirmed claim.

Leaving Nothing Behind

The Germans claim that German and Rumanian forces are continuing to advance from Bessarabia and have crossed the Dniester River after breaking the Russian resistance.

Judging from a report from Rome, the Russians are not leaving much behind. The report from the Italian capital says that Khabarovsk in Bessarabia, which was evacuated a few days ago, has been blazing for three days. Efforts made by Rumanian soldiers to quench the flames have failed.

It is admitted that the Russians set fire to every house in the city when they saw that they would have to retire.

To-day's official Soviet communiqué states: "During the night of July 19, intense fighting took place in the directions of Polotsk-Nevel, Smolensk and Novograd-Volynsk. Nothing of importance occurred in other sectors of the front."

"Our air force continued during the night to destroy enemy tanks and mechanised units of the enemy. According to verified data, during July 19, our air force destroyed in air combat and on the ground 71 enemy aircraft and not 31 as previously reported."

MISSOURI ALUMNI CONDOLENCES TO BEREAVED DEAN

WASHINGTON, July 20 (Central News).—Dr Hollington K. Tong, Vice-Minister of Publicity, many other Chinese graduates of the University of Missouri, and the influential Chinese newspaper "Ta Kung Pao" have wired messages of condolence to Mrs Frank Martin, wife of the Dean of the University who died last Friday at the age of 60 at Columbia, Missouri.

Mrs Martin accompanied her late husband at the Yenching University in Peiping in 1932-33 when he was serving as exchange professor at the Yenching School of Journalism.

Talent Recognised In Ministerial Changes

(By "Reuter's" Political Correspondent)

LONDON, July 20.—The changes which the Prime Minister has made in the composition of the Government affect posts outside the War Cabinet. The promotion of Mr R. A. Butler to be President of the Board of Education, is a recognition of the service he has performed at the Foreign Office as Under-Secretary.

Another newcomer to the Treasury Bench is Mr Ernest Thurlow (Lodge), who becomes Parliamentary Under-Secretary to the Ministry of Information. He has been a fearless speaker in debate and a champion of unpopular causes.

Mr Harold Nicholson, who was Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Information, has been appointed Governor of the British Broadcasting Corporation. It is not expected that he will have to vacate his seat in Parliament.

Made A Peer

Mr Ramsbotham leaves the office of President of the Board of Education to become Chairman of the Unemployment Assistance Board and receives a peerage. The appointment is for seven years and carries with it a salary of £5,000 per annum.

The appointment of Sir Hugh Seely to be an additional Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State to the Air Ministry brings that Ministry into line with other service departments who already have two Under-Secretaries or their equivalent.

He has been Parliamentary Private Secretary to Sir Archibald Sinclair, the Air Minister, since last year. He is a Liberal.

Popular Whip

Colonel Harvie Watts' appointment as Parliamentary Private Secretary to the Home Minister will be well comed at Westminster. He was a popular Union Whip.

Prvvy Councillorships are conferred on Captain Balfe, Mr Tom Williams and Major Lloyd George in recognition of their work in Parliament. All three are popular Under-Secretaries, especially Major Lloyd George, who is spokesman for the Ministry of Food in the House of Commons—a difficult task which he performs well.

The appointments as a whole represent no substantial change in the composition of the Government and will have little Parliamentary effect beyond possible criticism which had been foreshadowed in political circles since the changes were announced shortly.

Son of Bonar Law

Mr Richard Law, son of the former Prime Minister, Mr Bonar Law, leaves the War Office to become Under-Secretary of State in the Foreign Office. He is succeeded as Financial Secretary to the War Office by Mr Duncan Sandy, who is a son-in-law of the Prime Minister.

He has been in the army since the war broke out and has attained the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel. This is his first ministerial experience.

German High Command At Loggerheads

More Information About Split

LONDON, July 20 (Reuter).—Sharp differences of opinion in regard to the conduct of the war against Russia were expressed at a conference of German Generals held on the eve of Hitler's attack on Russia, according to well-informed circles in Berne, says the Moscow Radio.

The most ardent supporters of the blitzkrieg theory, including Generals List and Reichenau, pointed out the inevitability of the eastern campaign turning into a long-drawn war which might lead to the crash of Germany.

Goering and the most prominent aviation leaders, also expressed opposition to the eastern venture. Nevertheless, Hitler signed the order for attack and after it had begun, reprisals were taken against the recalcitrant generals, including Goering and Reichenau and a number of generals were removed from their posts.

STREET GUARDS MAKE ARREST

Pleading guilty to larceny of \$120 from a man named Li Lau, 59, at No. 142, Connaught Road, Central, ground floor, on July 19, Wong Yuk-cham, 21, unemployed, was sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr G. T. Lowry at Central Magistracy this morning.

Inspector S. C. Saunders stated that about 4 p.m. on July 19, Complainant had changed some Strait Settlements money into \$120 at a money changers' shop at the address when Defendant snatched the money and ran away. Two street guards chased and arrested Defendant.

STOWAWAY FROM SHAI

John Logsdon, 42, of California, was charged before Mr D. J. N. Anderson at Kowloon Magistracy this morning with being a stowaway from Shanghai without the permission of the owner of the ship.

It was stated that Defendant arrived in the Colony on board an American ship yesterday.

Pleading guilty, Defendant was ordered to be expelled from the Colony.

Black List Annoying To Rome

Roosevelt Branded As Belligerent

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, July 20 (UP).—Signor Gayda, editorially commenting in the "Giornale d'Italia" regarding the United States black list to-day, stated that President Roosevelt is trying to dominate the South American countries economically so that he will be able to lead them more easily into war against the Axis powers.

He claimed that the black list was prompted by United States' fear that the Axis commercial ties with South America will be strengthened and increased if the Axis powers win the war, and he declared that the black list was already meeting with strong opposition in many South American countries including Argentina, Brazil, Peru and Chile.

Act of Belligerency

Rome's first Sunday morning broadcast in English charges that the United States committed an act of belligerency with the issuance of the black list.

It stated, "President Roosevelt's decision to black list neutral countries can be considered juridically as an act of belligerency by one neutral country against other neutral countries."

STALIN IS DEFENCE MINISTER

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, July 20 (Domestic).—M. Joseph Stalin, Chairman of the Council of People's Commissars, has been appointed People's Commissar of Defence by M. M. I. Kalinin, President of the Presidium of the Supreme Council, while Marshal Semion Timoshenko, Commander-in-Chief of the western sector of defence, has been appointed Deputy Commissar of Defence. It was announced on the afternoon of July 19.

Internal Control

MOSCOW, July 21 (Reuter).—The amalgamation of the Commissariat of Internal Affairs and the Commissariat of State Security into a single organisation is officially announced.

The organisation will be known as the Commissariat of Internal Affairs.

War conditions are stated to be responsible for this re-organisation.

The present Commissar for Internal Affairs, M. Beria, and the Deputy Commissar, M. Merkulov, retain their positions.

STOLE GASOLENE FROM YACHT CLUB LAUNCH

For stealing four gallons of gasoline, the property of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club, from the Club's No. 1 motor boat, while it was anchored off Ah King's Slipway, Causeway Bay, on Saturday night, Mak Mau, 17, seaman, was fined \$20 or six weeks hard labour by Mr H. G. Sheldon, k.c., at Central Magistracy, this morning. Defendant admitted the charge.

Def.-Sergeant V. M. Morrison stated that Defendant was seen carrying the drum of gasoline out of the yard about 9 p.m., and when questioned by a watchman admitted that it was stolen.

FOX AND TAYLOR LEAVING FOR BURMA ROAD

Mr A. Manuel Fox, American Member of the Chinese Currency Settlement Board, and Dr William E. Taylor, his assistant, who have been in Hongkong since July 13 after a visit to Shanghai are leaving here shortly to return to Chungking via Manilla and Rangoon. It is learned here this morning.

The purpose of their going back to Chungking in a round-about way is to study economic conditions along the Burma Road.

State Of Siege In Bolivia

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LA PAZ, Bolivia, July 20 (UP).—A national state of siege has been declared due to the subversive movement that has been uncovered.

Simultaneously, and without explanation, the German Minister, Herr Ernest Wendeler, has been declared persona non grata.

The secretary to the President told the "United Press" that the subversive elements were conniving with the totalitarian nations. The Minister of the Interior said that the country was tranquil, and that all measures taken were purely precautionary.

U. S. A. AND INDIA AGREEMENT

LONDON, July 20 (Reuter).—The India Office announced that the British and American governments, in consultation with the Government of India, have agreed to a reciprocal exchange of representatives between the United States and India.

Sir Girja Shankar Bajpa, a member of the Viceroy's Council, has been appointed the first Agent-General for India in the United States.

The name of the United States representative in India will be announced shortly.

BRITISH CABINET CHANGES

LONDON, July 20 (Reuter).—Official Cabinet changes have been announced as follows:

Mr R. A. Butler (Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs) becomes President of the Board of Education.

Mr Brendan Bracken (Personal Secretary to Mr Winston Churchill) becomes Minister of Information.

Mr A. Duff Cooper (Minister of Information) becomes Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and is proceeding to the Far East to examine on behalf of the War Cabinet the present arrangements for consultation and co-operation between the various British authorities, military, administrative and political, and to report to them how these arrangements can be made more effective.

Lord Hankey (Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster) becomes Paymaster General.

Mr R. K. Law (Financial Secretary to the War Office) becomes Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

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MONDAY MORNING COMMENTARY

Football Tourists Stir Up Rumours

Words of Appreciation Probably Misinterpreted

Local Authorities Unconcerned

(By "Tinker")

WHAT APPEAR to have been a few words of compliment both to the country and the hospitality of the Australians have, I think, received a little too much publicity and prominence at this end of the line. "Reuter's" message the other day that the Eastern-Sing Tao touring football team in Australia had expressed the opinion that they would like to remain down there savours to me of just a natural expression of appreciation.

In quite the same light can be viewed the second part of the cable that some of them would like to open up business down there, for Australian at the moment must be quite a hive of industry for the War Effort.

The fact that "United Press" carried no reference to the wishful thinking adds weight to the belief that the whole is just the outcome of a few words between "Reuter's" representative and one or two of the team, possibly the manager.

However, since the news was printed in Hongkong, rumours have been flying around in their usual manner.

Great Attraction

THE tourists have had an enormously successful tour to date, and the presence of a wholly Chinese eleven who are capable of good football has undoubtedly been a major attraction to the Aussies, who have flocked in great numbers to see them play.

The teams they have met have been amateurs and the "gates" have no doubt been shared in accordance with Amateur ruling, and though we are really in ignorance up here as yet, it is just possible that thoughts of professionalism have been entertained.

However, I should imagine that like at Home there is a great difference between amateur and professional soccer down there, and I wonder how the team on tour would measure up to the latter?

Complete Surprise

ALL this, of course, is assuming one, which I doubt again. In support of my theory is the fact that the news was an absolute surprise to Eastern and Sing Tao officials in Hongkong. No previous mention has been made on the subject either by cable or by letter.

They are expected back here about the first week in September and their Clubs here see no reason to assume that they will not be back. Not only are their families and other interests in the Colony, but it is doubtful, extremely doubtful, that the Australian authorities would grant the necessary permission for them to remain in the southern continent.

Early Hitches

I SEEM to recall that arrangements for the tour were somewhat difficult. From one or two reports in Australian papers it seemed that the Australian Football Association, though most willing to entertain any such touring team, were at first doubtful whether the visitors could be accommodated in their programme, or something like that. Behind it all there may have been something else, but in view of that it seems less likely that permission to stay would be granted.

However, when the footballers return, as we expect them to, we shall probably find that the whole was but the outcome of a few idle words of conversation.

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Kowloon B.G.C. "A" v. Indian R.C. A. K. Ismail bowling for the Indians at Austin Road on Saturday. R. P. Phillips ready for his turn on the mat.—Ming Yuen.

Week-end Aquatics

Chu Hang Breaks National Sprint Record At Laichikok

PROMISE of a challenge for the Colony 50 yards free-style title in the swimming championships at the end of the season was provided by Chu Hang at the Hongkong and Kowloon Residents' Union gala at Laichikok on Saturday, when he broke the China National record for the 50 metres in 26.8 seconds.



The time is unofficial, but Hang's quality can be judged by the fact that he beat Tsang Cheong-ming, Lin Tsun sprinter.

Second time on Saturday that was prominent was that of the powerful Sing Tao trio—Shek Kam-pui, Ng Nin and Wong Chi-hung—the 50 yards medley relay at the Chinese Bathing Club gala at North Point.

These, however, were the only two performances of note, and results were:

C.B.C. Gala

Men's 150 metres invitation medley relay—1, Sing Tao (Shek Kam-pui, Ng Nin, Wong Chi-hung); 2, C.B.C. (Lin Tsun, Tsang Cheong-ming, Wong Chi-hung); 3, C.B.C. "B" (Yeung Tat-fun, Chan Man-po, Chan Chung-long). Time 1 min. 31.0 secs.

Women's 50 metres free-style—1, Miss Ho Wal-king; 2, Miss Leung Ol-mui; 3, Miss Chan Chu-hua. Time 37.13 secs.

Men's 50 metres free-style handicap—1, Sing Tao (Ho Wal-king); 2, C.B.C. (Lin Tsun, Wong Chi-hung); 3, C.B.C. "B" (Yeung Tat-fun). Time 46.2/5 secs.

Children's 50 metres relay—1, Fong Chuk-wing and Leung Yiu-hei; 2, Chin Sik-cheung and Kan Yin-ching; 3, Mak Kin-hon and Ho Wal-king. Time 48.6 secs.

Junior Sprints—1, Miss Ng Po-ling; 2, Miss Leung Ol-mui; 3, Miss Chan Man-po and Miss Ho Wal-king; 4, Miss Koo-kai and Miss Chan Choi-pun.

Men's 200 metres breast-stroke handicap—1, Wong Cheung-nin; 2, Wong King-sun; 3, Sun Yu-ning. Time 3 mins. 46 secs.

Men's 100 metres back-stroke—1, Robert Chang; 2, Hui Kwan-hui; 3, Fung Fai-wan. Time 1 min. 44 secs.

Water polo—In a water polo match, the home team defeated the British team by five goals to three.

Chinese Bathing Club—Po King-fuk, Enrique Chan, Sung Yiu-tak; Wong Cheung-nin, Fong Chung-yiu (1); Chu Fook-tai (1) and Robert Chang (3); N.C.A.A.; Tang Siu-hung, Tang Chung-wan, Ng Yu-man; Loek Kui-yeung; Ho Yuk-kwan; Fong Wing-kan and Lo Yuk-nin.

ALIVE?—British reported the death in Croft of Max Schmoling, former world's heavyweight champion, now a Nazi parachutist trooper. But the Germans assert he is safe, only slightly ill."

League Bowls

Recreio "A"

Again

Defeated

RECREIO "A" suffered their fourth defeat of the season when they met the Police Recreation Club on Saturday at Happy Valley, repeating, though under less imposing circumstances, the surprise of last year.

As a result, Crayengower Cricket Club, having played only nine games, are ahead by five points, and seem assured of the First Division Championship.

In the Second Division, Kowloon Tong are in a like position of security, and interest, therefore, is mainly in the final leadership of the Third Division, where the Kowloon Bowling Green Club and the Indians are at the top; the first named leading by half a point.

Three sevens were chalked up by W. Mai (Police) who lost to F. X. Silva 20-20, C. S. Rossetti (Crayengower) who trounced E. C. Fincher (K.Y.C.C.) 33-9, and B. A. Mansell (K.D.R.C.) who beat H. R. Pinn (Recreio) 25-15.

A similar number of sixes were credited to J. F. McGowan (C.S.C.C.), C. Gowland (P.O.C.) and J. K. Sloan (Electric).

Results at a glance were:

First Division

P.R.C.	71	Rec. "A"	53
K.Y.C.C.	48	O.C.C.	52
Rec. "B"	50	C.S.C.C.	53
K.Y.C.C. "A"	60	I.R.C.	50
K.Y.C.C. "B"	42	K.D.R.C.	52

Second Division

P.R.C.	71	Rec. "A"	53
K.Y.C.C.	48	O.C.C.	52
Rec. "B"	50	C.S.C.C.	53
K.Y.C.C. "A"	60	I.R.C.	50
K.Y.C.C. "B"	42	K.D.R.C.	52

Inter-Departmental Soccer Match

On a wet and slippery pitch at the Kowloon Workers' Department Recreation Club, Chai Wan Bay, the Immigration Department easily defeated the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs by four goals to one, in a football friendly match yesterday morning.

Mr. J. H. Lee, Immigration Officer, kicked off, and the game was followed with much interest by a large crowd.

Time Off On Saturday For Sport At Home

Internationals On Parade

LONDON, July 20 (Reuter).—British sport reclaimed some of its peace-time prominence over the week-end with first class cricket, athletics and tennis providing well earned recreation for both athletes and spectators, the majority of whom are serving in the armed forces or civil defence.

About 30 internationals, many of them Olympic Games runners, participated in a charity contest in which the Armed Forces beat Civil Defence 95 points to 80.

Corporal Sidney Wooderson, holder of the half mile and mile world record, competed in the mile with a nicely strained Achilles tendon heavily bandaged and finished fourth in the mile after arriving too late from Northern England for the half mile.

Cyril Holmes, British Olympic runner, won the 100 yards in 10.1-10, the 220 yards in 23.1-10 and finally broke the tape the third time when he finished first for the armed forces in the relay.

Tournament Tennis

Outstanding feature of the tennis tournament to aid the Red Cross was the match between Mr. Menzies (formerly Ray Stannard) and the young British hope Jean Nicoll.

Match At Lord's

Pioneer of wartime cricket, London County, and a British Empire XI figure in a drawn game at Lord's, London, Counties scored 194 and the British Empire 24-4.

Mrs T.H. Miller

MRS T. H. MILLER who as Miss Isobel Pearson founded the Ladies' Golf Union in 1893, is also dead. She was runner-up in the first two British women's championships.

Miss Miller started the L.G.U. with the objects of inaugurating a universal system of handicapping and arranging annual championships for women golfers.

Six clubs were first affiliated and this number gradually increased until when the war started in 1939 over 3,000 clubs at home and in our Dominions and Colonies were members.

1910 Derby Winner

The death has occurred in London hospital at the age of 84 of Bernard Dillon, prominent jockey of 30 years ago, who was the third husband of Marie Lloyd. He won the 1910 Derby on Lombard.

NANCY



RUINS MARK RED RETREAT

Smolensk And Karelia

ZURICH, July 20 (Reuter).—The thoroughness of the Russian scorched earth policy is described in detail by the correspondent on the eastern front of the newspaper "Tribuna."

"Smolensk suffered particularly though some arms and textile factories are only partially damaged."

In Karelia, the Russians "have literally razed towns to the ground." Nothing remains of the celebrated Siemens Martin steel-works at Vaertsiike, which had an annual production of 29,000 tons.

Rain Storms

The correspondent mentions the advent of rain on the eastern front. For the first time since the beginning of the offensive, violent rainstorms have occurred in Russia and if these continue, mechanised columns will have very great difficulty in progressing in districts which easily become marshy.

Forest Fires

LONDON, July 20 (Reuter).—Huge forest fires are raging north of Lake Ladoga on the Soviet-Finnish frontier following the withdrawal of the Russian troops, says a Berlin message to Rome.

Towns and villages have been razed to the ground.

Defences of Leningrad

VICHY, July 20 (Reuter).—Leningrad's defensive system is described as one of the most remarkable in the whole world by the Stockholm newspaper, "Nyndag Alfheim," quoted by the Vichy news agency.

The writer declares that this defensive system comprises an extensive fortified territory, bounded on the west by the River Narva, Lake Ladoga and the River Velikaya; on the east by the Valdai Mountains and on the north by Lake Ladoga and the Gulf of Finland.

Leningrad's fortifications, he says, extend as far as Pleskau. The fortified belt along the Gulf of Finland is stated to be 50 miles in depth.

All these fortified positions have been recently strengthened. Within this area, accommodation is provided for 5,000 aeroplanes.

Tram Runs Into Car

Excitement In City

A collision between a motor car and a tram occurred in the heart of the city about 11 a.m. to-day, resulting in minor damage to the two vehicles, and a traffic hold-up of over five minutes.

An eye witness stated that as a motor car driven by Lo Po was proceeding westward along Des Voeux Road, Central, outside the Bank of East Asia, a Chinese man suddenly dashed out without warning from the pavement to cross to the opposite side. The driver jammed on his brakes to avoid an accident, but a tram which was following the car was not able to stop in time, and crashed into the rear of the motor vehicle. The rear right fender of the car was slightly dented, and the number plate was broken in half. The rear right window pane was also smashed, and the roadside was splintered with broken glass.

The tram car suffered little damage, and no one was injured.

Education Inspector To Singapore

Mr Yu Chun-hsien, Director of the Educational Department of the Overseas Affairs Commission, who arrived here recently en route to the South Sea regions to inspect overseas Chinese education there, will leave for Singapore towards the end of this month, says "Central News."

Since his arrival here, he has been busy inspecting Chinese schools in the Colony. He went to Macao a few days ago to inspect the schools there.

Japanese Arrive

SAIGON, July 20 (Reuter).—Two unidentified bombers were seen flying over Saigon for 20 minutes this morning at 16,000 feet.

SAIGON, July 20 (Reuter).—A four-motor Dai Nippon flying boat arrived at the Saigon seaplane base this afternoon, carrying the first 12 members of the Japanese Boundary Commission headed by Mr Yano.

Baltic States Not Regaining Independence

LISBON, July 20 (Reuter).—Reports received from the Baltic states now occupied by Germany suggest that any idea they may have had of independence and freedom was short-lived.

National thought and action are being subordinated to the Reich. The peoples of Latvia, Lithuania and to a less extent Estonia and Western Ukraine, are already sensing that they are intended to be no more than provinces or protectorates within the Reich as part of the plan for a Germanised Europe.

Como Train Smash

LONDON, July 20 (Reuter).—The death roll in the Como train smash is now 30, according to the Swiss radio, which says that 50 were injured and that the train was carrying 700 workmen.

Two men working on top of the tramways repair-car, opposite Wellington Barracks, Queen's Road, East about 8.30 o'clock this morning had a narrow escape from death when a motor bus travelling to town collided with it, throwing the men, who were repairing the overhead wires, completely off their balance.

One man recovered his footing in the nick of time to hold his companion who was just about to fall off the raised platform. This man sustained a bruised arm, however, and was rather shaken up by the experience. For a few moments he was hanging off the side of the platform with a clear 14-feet between him and the road below.

The bus, which was slightly damaged, was quickly pulled up and was later driven on to the pavement so as to avoid causing obstruction to traffic. The repair car was also slightly damaged and was moved away later.

Britain's Formidable New Super Tank

LONDON, July 20 (Reuter).—"Churchill" is the name specially chosen by the Minister of Supply for the new type of heavy infantry tank now being mass-produced in British factories. They are probably the most formidable instrument produced by any army in the world, for they are heavily armoured, giving maximum protection to their crews.

They move at sterling speed over all kinds of ground despite their weight. Their terrific gun-power is concentrated in a minimum-of-space-and-it-is-unlikely that many enemy machines exist that can long stand up to their devastating fire. If brought to a standstill, "Churchills" can be used as small forts.

The tanks, which are still secret, move and manoeuvre with the ease of a taxi cab as the Premier found when he rode in one and was astonished at the ease with which he could control it.

Jolt From A Bus

In Queen's Road East

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Ex-Reservist Pays Up

Matter of Uniform

An ex-Police reservist, J. de J. Fernandez, of 28 Hankow Road, ground floor, was summoned before Mr G. T. Lowry at Central Magistrate's Court this morning for failing to pay £17.74, being the cost of his uniform, to the Commissioner of Police, after being dismissed from the Force because 12 months had expired, on June 20.

Defendant failed to appear in Court on a previous summons and when asked for the reason yesterday, said that it was his fault.

Mr W. R. Chester-Woods, Adjutant of the Police Reserve, stated that owing to Defendant's previous absence in Court a warrant was issued for his arrest. About 2.15 p.m. yesterday Defendant went to a Police Station with £17.74 as payment for his uniform and was told that a warrant for his arrest had been issued. Defendant bailed himself out for £20.

Defendant was ordered to pay £17.74 as the cost for his uniform.

New Hurricane Fighter

Britain's new Hurricane, the Hurricane II, has spread its wings. It is faster and more heavily armed than its famous predecessor.

Thus our mighty fighter fleet now consists of: Spitfire III; Hurricane II, Tornado, Whirlwind and Defiant.

Another new arrival is the Napier Sabre wonder engine, released from the secret list by Lord Beaverbrook recently. It was designed by Major Bernard Halford.

Almost Equal Air Losses

Report Of Week

LONDON, July 20 (British Wireless).—Air losses during the week ending July 20 total 47 Axis aeroplanes to 44 British.

Over Great Britain and its coast, the Germans lost 10 to R.A.F. nil.

Over Germany and German occupied territory, the enemy lost 22 to R.A.F. 40.

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More Bacon For Britain

OTTAWA—Britain is not going to be allowed to suffer for need of bacon either because of Canadian exports to the States or high consumption at home.

While it has not yet been applied, an order has been secured to prevent exports to the States to whose markets hogs from Canada could be attracted by the ruling high prices.

At the same time, pressure has been applied to the packers to restock, in degree, the domestic consumption to ensure that the British supply is not impeded. This restriction tends to increase the price at home.

Canadian bacon supplies to the United Kingdom this year will amount to the huge total of 453,000,000 pounds.

De Gaulle In Cairo

CAIRO, July 20 (Reuters)—The Free French leader, General de Gaulle, arrived here to-day.

LATE NEWS

Terrorists Abroad In Shanghai

SHANGHAI, July 21 (Reuters)—Terrorist gunmen were extremely active this morning when three were shot dead and two wounded in different parts of foreign areas, while in Hongkew the Japanese caught Chinese with hand grenades which resulted in the closing of all the bridges leading to Hongkew for three hours.

Among those killed this morning was Wong Teh-chow, high official of the Wang Ching-wel regime's Peace Preservation Corps, who was shot dead by gunmen while alighting from a car in French Concession.

Wang had previously been wounded in an attempt on his life at Sung-kiang and had come to Shanghai for treatment.

The gunmen, finding their way of escape barred by police, shot it out with an Annamite policeman which ended with both lying on the ground injured.

The other two people killed were a man and wife slain by a couple of gunmen in the Western Area for as yet an unknown motive.

Merging Of Red Republics

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, July 20 (UPI)—It is officially announced that a decree has been issued stating that owing to the transition from peace time to war time, it has been decided to merge the People's Commissariat of Internal Affairs and the Commissariat of State Security into a single Internal Affairs Commissariat and that similar unity will be effected in the Union and the autonomous republics, territories and regions.

M. Lavrentii Pavlovich Beria has been appointed Commissar of Internal Affairs.

A communiqué has also been issued stating that as from July 16 there has been a decrease in the organising institutions of political propaganda and the Intersectoral office of military commissars in the Red Army which are now extended to the Red Navy. It was added that the office of Military Commissars shall be introduced to all ships units and naval schools, while the office of Political Instructors, is to be established in sub-divisions of ship units and institutions.

New Liner For The N.Y.K.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, July 21 (UPI)—Preparing for Japan's southward economic expansion, the N.Y.K. has laid the keel of a 10,000-ton liner at the Mitsubishi's Nagasaki dockyard for the south seas' runs.

The N.Y.K. is the largest shipping company in Japan and had 125 ships totalling 778,200 tons gross as on October 31, 1939 which are the latest available figures from the Communications Minister.

Significant Japanese Press Comments

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, July 21 (UPI)—The "Hoichi Shimbun" to-day stresses the importance of Admiral Toyoda's new job; but in an editorial points out his difficulties, observing: "Our nation's emergency diplomacy has hitherto been based on the Tripartite Pact with the Japanese-Soviet Neutrality Pact as a supporting column."

"They served to steel our diplomatic efforts abroad and aided our efforts to meet Pacific problems and a settlement of the China Incident, but the sudden outbreak of the German-Soviet war took away the foundations of our Far Eastern diplomacy."

"Japanese responsibilities in the Far East have thus increased."

The paper added that Admiral Toyoda might prove to be excellent since a trained diplomat might "adhere too closely to the niceties of diplomatic rules."

The "Kokumin Shimbun" stated to-day that it feared there would be wholesale resignations of Japanese diplomats abroad, while the "Miyako Shimbun" declared that Japan's diplomacy should "to the last rest on the fulfilment of the unique mission which faces Japan alone. From first to last the basis of Japanese foreign policy must be the ending of the China War and expansion of the East Asia Prosperity Sphere."

Vichy, Allied And Turkish Forces Fraternise In Syria

(By "Reuter's" Special Correspondent with Allied Forces in Syria)

ALEPPO, July 18 (Delayed in Transmission).—With the close of the Syrian campaign, the Allied forces are already consolidating positions in Northern Syria with patrols operating in the Turkish border regions.

To-day shortly after noon, I had the memorable experience of watching the first meeting between an advanced British armoured patrol and Turkish frontier troops.

Armoured cars belonging to one of the oldest English cavalry regiments in the line recently mechanised patrolled up to one of the frontier roads from Aleppo and contacted three Turkish soldiers with fixed bayonets between two frontier posts.

The meeting was very friendly and the soldiers smiled and shook hands all round although unable to understand one another. Cigarettes were exchanged.

The Turks were most interested in the armoured cars and climbed in to examine them.

Meeting With Turks

Prior to this meeting, we had walked over the sun-scorched, rocky terrain to a Turkish frontier post of shaded trees with the Red Crescent of the Turkish flag fluttering in the breeze. A little fountain was playing in the court-yard. At the Customs house, a Turkish Captain and Lieutenant and Customs officials offered us coffee, cigarettes and iced water. The atmosphere was most cordial.

To reach Syria's oldest city, I have motored some 250 miles through the heart of the country and found the roads to the north humming with Allied transport.

Released Prisoners

We passed many Vichy military camps being dismantled and a convoy of released British prisoners who greeted us cordially.

Rows of Vichy transports, guns and ammunition dumps lay detectably on the roadside, while soldiers were packing their kit and preparing to leave for the Tripoli area, which is at present a neutral zone and remains for Vichy troops.

Tynie aerodrome showed evidence of R.A.F. bombing. Hangars were smashed and large ammunition dumps were blown sky-high.

Aleppo airport, already occupied by the R.A.F. and buzzing with activity, still shows the shattered remains of burned-out planes and damaged buildings.

In Aleppo itself, there are still several thousand Vichy soldiers and airmen. It is rather strange sitting in restaurants next to Vichy Air Force officers who had probably been ground-strafing one a few days earlier.

No Animosity

However, there are no outward signs of animosity although Vichy soldiers seem deeply affected and depressed after the campaign.

Here I conjectured for the first time mysterious British and Indian columns who had plunged a thousand miles across the endless desert from Iraq via Deir ez Zor to Aleppo from the flank. Looking very fit and sun-burned, these troops are in the finest fettle. They said that some of the worst times they had were due to enemy aircraft. They had little protection against air attacks.

On one occasion more than 30 bombers escorted by fighters ground-strafed them en route, but they declared that all they needed was a bath. "We have not had one for two months."

Efficient Indian Troops

Although full details of the part played by Indian troops are not yet revealed, Britishers are full of praise for the manner these forces, starting from Basra, assisted in clearing up Habanlyah and Baghdad in Iraq and then carried on in the Syrian campaign.

They never complained and showed a very high degree of discipline, proving ideal troops for such tiring warfare.

There is no doubt that the Syrian campaign was handled in a masterly manner and great credit is due to these phantom desert columns in regard to the enemy morale breaking down so early.

Axis Nationals

BEIRUT, July 20 (Reuters)—German and Italian nationals as well as nationals of enemy-occupied countries are required to register with the Police within three days under an order issued by the occupation authorities here.

Easter Gifts To Servicemen

Eight members of the Forces who were travelling north by train recently received an "Easter egg" gift of £50 each from a traveller. Four of the men belong to the R.A.F. and the other four are in the Army.

Mr. Lewis Walcott, a retired London stockbroker, handed to each of them a sealed envelope with instructions not to open them until he had left the train. After he had left the compartment, they opened the envelopes and found in each the sum of £50 in notes. The donor had gone to another part of the train.

Mr. Walcott, in reply to a question as to what had prompted his gift, said that it was an Easter thanksgiving for the escape of himself and his family. In the last raid on Coventry, "it was a small recognition of what the boys are doing" he said.

Baron's Court

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Colony Evacuees Air Views

FROM PAGE ONE

cannot understand how anybody can seriously suggest that Sydney is "terribly expensive." With a monthly allowance of £25 (£.A.31), I have been able to maintain myself and child as comfortably as in Hongkong. Many of us are as much at home here in Australia as if we were in England, and we truly feel we are among our own folk. We cannot but consider ourselves more fortunate than those Hongkong women who voluntarily returned to England when the situation in the Far East began to look really threatening. I fail to see how it can be suggested that if Hongkong were attacked, our husbands would feel happier if their wives and children were sharing with them in Hongkong the risk of sudden death, than if they were living in safety in Australia.

While I sympathise with women who feel so keenly the long separation from their husbands, your readers should know that a large proportion of the Hongkong women now in Australia are quite prepared to remain here as long as the Hongkong Government considers it desirable that we should not return to that colony. We would like Australian women to know that we are not all grousers—as seems to be the general opinion from Brisbane to Melbourne.

A LANCASHIRE LASS.

Exiles of Hongkong

May an evacuee in Manly be allowed to air her grievance? Exactly a year ago we left our homes in Hongkong. On reviewing the situation, can one be blamed for saying that the whole things seems a farce.

This suggestion I put forward, that the "Government" shall say now, how much longer we are likely to be away. While the service men's wives are also eager to return to their stations, yet the lot of "civilians" seems even worse, as they have no help from the Government, financially or otherwise.

Winter now upon us makes the situation a great deal worse, when two homes are being kept from one man's salary. Much better had we all been sent to Britain, where we could at least have made a real effort to help in this "hellish" struggle.

THISTLE.

More Enemy Shipping Attacked

FROM PAGE ONE

Saturday, streaking down one after the other, from 250 feet to 50 feet. After the fourth of the six fighters had dived, all guns on the "flak" ship stopped firing.

Another attack on Saturday was made by a lone fighter pilot on a 1,500-ton motor ship half a mile from the French coast. Diving down nearly to sea-level, he blazed away with his cannon and machine-guns, only stopping firing when he was nearly hitting the mast. As he broke away, he saw flashes of explosions and smoke coming from the bridge. The vessel turned immediately and made for shore.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, Issued Saturday, 1st Buyers

H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 97.50

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Conton Ins. \$225

Union Ins. \$400

Wharves, \$90

Providents \$5.80

Realics \$3.10

Trans. \$16.00

Electrics "O" X. Rts \$22

Electrics "N" \$21

Electrics Rts \$11

Watsons \$10.45

Sellers

Providents \$5.00

Hotels \$3.60

Lands \$36.50

Realics \$3.40

Cements \$15.25

Ropes \$0

Watsons \$10.75

Sales

H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan (1934) 05

H.K. Banks \$1.415

Providents \$5.05/00

Realics \$3.30

Trans. \$17.15

Lights "O" \$0

Electrics Rts \$11

DEATH